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A
HISTORY
OF THE
EVERHART AND SHOWER
FAMILIES,
FROM 1744 TO 1883.
EMBRACING SIX GENERATIONS.

ALSO A SKETCH OF MANCHESTER, MD.

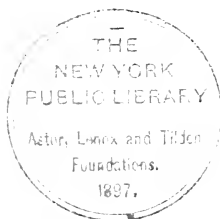
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HANOVER, YORK COUNTY, PA.

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TO MY

SAINTED MOTHER,

who watched over me from my earliest infancy,
with that tenderness and affection, which only a
MOTHER can bestow upon a child, and even after
I had attained to manhood, when racked with
disease, gave the same love and devotion, and
whose christian virtue and careful training was
the foundation of my whole success in life,

as a slight token of love,
this little volume is affectionately dedicated by
her son, the Author.



PREFACE.

Every one, who undertakes to write a book, should have a laudable object in view. It was not from any desire, to make a display of literary talent, or be classed as an Author, that we were induced to collect the facts contained in this little volume. But it was a labor of love, in order that the history of our forefathers might not be forever lost; that the story of their lives might be perpetuated and read by future generations.

The idea of writing this historical sketch was first suggested, at a reunion of the family of Geo. Everhart, (the great-grand-son of Paul Everhart) when he was 75 years old, and all his sons and daughters, with their wives and husbands, had assembled at the homestead. It was with feelings of intense delight, that we sat and listened to the aged father, as he related his recollections of the long, long past. It was then, and there, we resolved to put into a permanent form a history of the EVERHART AND SHOWER FAMILIES.

How well we have succeeded in the resolution, we submit to the judgment of those who are also interested in the matter.

The reason, for publishing the history of the Everhart and Shower families in one volume, arises from the very intimate marriage relations existing between the two families. One brother and two sisters of the Everhart family, married one sister and two brothers of the Shower family, which we believe is a rare occurrence.

The Author is aware of the imperfections of this work, and of a number of typographical errors, which were overlooked by the proof-reader, and not observed until too late for correction.

A number of blank leaves are inserted at the end of each family history, for the recording of future historical events.

O. T. Everhart.

Hanover, Pa., May 18, 1883.

HISTORY OF THE EVERHART FAMILY.

CHAPTER I.

PAULUS EBERHARDT.

"Land of promise! western clime,
Thou refuge of the brave and free;
Thy name shall mock the sway of time
While Freedom's votaries bow to thee,
And own the glory of their name---
The grandeur of thy deathless fame.
The future millions yet will rise
To praise the beauty of thy skies;
And millions, countless millions throng
The land immortalized in song;
The land where freedom's ensign waves
O'er heroes' consecrated graves;
The land where noble men have trod,
And feared, and worshipped none but God."

The death of Charles VI (A. D. 1740) Emperor of Germany, and the last of the proper male line of the house of Hapsburg, involved Europe

in contentions for the proper succession of the throne of Germany. Charles having lost his only son and heir to the throne, was exceedingly anxious to obtain the peaceful succession of his daughter Maria Theresa to his hereditary dominions by a Pragmatic Sanction, the consent to which he found very difficult to obtain from some of the German States, and also foreign powers.

When Maria Theresa ascended the throne, after the death of her father, she found herself surrounded and confronted by a host of enemies, who involved her in many bloody wars which continued with varying degrees of success until ended by the peace of Aix-la-Chapelle in 1748.

It was during this period of strife and contention, that PAULUS EBERHARDT, (from whom sprang the Everhart Family,) not believing in the divine right of kings to rule and sacrifice the lives of their subjects, to gratify their ambitious designs, first conceived the idea of leaving the Old & seeking a home in the New World, where he supposed atleast, he might live in peace and contentment.

He was a resident of Paltz, one of the Provinces of Germany, but the date of his birth is unknown. Neither is there any record of his early life, nor is it known at what age he emigrated to North America. But there is authentic evidence

that he sailed from Rotterdam, in the ship, *Phoenix*, commanded by Captain Wilson, and landed at Philadelphia, in the Province of Pennsylvania, October 20, 1741. This province was then under the proprietary government of the descendents of William Penn, and continued so until the Revolution in 1775.

At that period of the colonial history, Philadelphia contained about 14,000 inhabitants which had increased to 846,980 in the year 1880.

Soon after his arrival, he located in Germantown, 6 miles North West of Philadelphia, (now included in the City) where he resided about 8 years. Being desirous of cultivating a farm of his own, he concluded to emigrate to North Carolina, and accordingly, in 1752, in company with a few other persons, commenced their journey to the old North State. Upon arriving at Mac Alisterville, (now Hanover) York Co., Pa. they were informed that they could obtain plenty of land, by the right of preemption in the Province of Maryland. After deliberating upon the matter, they resolved to view the land lying about 10 miles South of Hanover, Pa., and 3 miles N. W. of the present town of Manchester, Carroll Co., Md., (Manchester not being in existence then) where they encamped the first night behind a huge rock, in proximity to a spring of excellent water. This land was then located in Baltimore

County, as the new county of Carroll was not constituted until 1837, from portions of Baltimore & Frederick Counties.

Being pleased with the country, PAULUS EBERHART (now written Everhart) relinquished the idea of removing to N. Carolina. and concluded to remain here. He preempted a beautiful tract of land containing about 309 acres, situated in what is now (1883) called "Bachman's Valley."

He erected a "Shanty" against the "huge rock" for the temporary accommodation of his family. The building of a house claimed his immediate attention. This was built on an eminence, near the "rock" and overlooking his plantation. The building was torn down many years ago, and all traces of its location have been obliterated by time, and the cultivation of the land.

His occupation was farming, which at that early period, required a vast amount of perseverance and hard labor. The country was sparsely populated, and the Red Man of the forest, loth to leave his hunting grounds, still abode among them. The land was in its primitive condition, when man truly realized the curse pronounced upon Adam; "In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread."

It is not known to whom and when he was married, neither do we know the date of either's death, but the wife survived the husband some-time. There is no positive evidence, but it is

presumable, that their remains were interred in the Cemetery of the Reformed & Lutheran Church in Manchester, as they were both members of the Reformed Church, but no tomb stone marks their last resting place.

The issue of this marriage were one son George and four daughters; Gertrude, Mary, Barbara married to a Mr. Shroat; and another whose name is not now known was married to a Mr. Heck, but the subsequent history of the last two daughters has been entirely lost.



CHAPTER II.

GEORGE EVERHART, senior.

George Everhart, only son of Paul, was born in Germantown, Pa., August 11 1745. During his minority, he learned the trade of a carpenter and worked about five years in Baltimore City, but after the death of his father, he succeeded to his large estate, when he was engaged in the management of his farming operations.

The cultivation of the soil, at that time, was not so easily performed as at present, as the inventive genius of man had not yet produced the la-

bor saving machinery, which makes the agricultural pursuit a success. Then the grain was gathered by the slow process of a hand sickle, and threshed with a wooden flail, or tread out with horses.

He was married to Eve Elizabeth Zacharias, who was born near Pipe Creek, Frederick (now Carroll) Co., Md. February 12th 1749, and died July 12th 1830. Aged 81 years and 5 months.

The buildings erected by his father having become dilapidated, it became necessary to erect new ones. A short distance East of the first house, on the same eminence, he built a two-story log dwelling, which was weather-boarded in after years. He erected a two-story stone addition to the East end a number of years afterwards, and in 1820 a one story stone kitchen, all of which buildings are now (1883) standing, and in a good state of preservation: a part of them being about 100 years old. During the writer's boyhood, there was a fine large Lombardy Poplar tree in front of the dwelling, but it has disappeared under the ravages of time. There was also a magnificent weeping-willow standing near the East end, underneath the grateful shade of which flowed the ever constant water.

He also built a large Swiss barn of logs, with a thatched roof. As his farming operations increased, this became too small when he built a large frame addition, also with a thatched

roof, to the South end, the whole length of the buildings measuring 150 feet. There were a number of large walnut trees standing in the rear and at the South end of the barn, which seemed to afford a very great protection to it from the effects of lightning, as on a number of occasions, these trees appeared to attract the electricity, and received the thunderbolt instead of the barn.

As the dropping water wears away the stone, so time and the elements wore away the old barn, which had withstood the storms of 90 years; that which once stood forth with its fresh hewn logs and golden straw roof, as bright and fresh as the new coined dollar. But all things must have an end, and the old barn had to give way to the march of improvement. It was torn down in the year 1864, and replaced with a modern bank barn. Farewell! Old Barn, your ancient form is no longer visible, as you once stood beneath the walnut trees, but the mind's eye beholds you as clearly, as in our boyhood days, when we sported around you, and beneath your old straw roof, and made the air resound with joyous laughter.

There were large deposits of rich iron ore on the farm, a portion of which was sold for \$25,000.

If the adage be true, that "distance lends enchantment to the view," then it is also true that age gives value and interest to what has been preserved from "ye olden time." Acting upon this presumption, we publish a document which

is now (1883) 101 years old. It appears that when George Everhart was in his 37th year, he, and one Jacob Sherman, had a dispute about a desk and tea table, (apparently a small matter, but how often does a little spark cause a great fire) and being unable to settle the matter satisfactorily themselves, like wise men, submitted it to an arbitration. The following is a true and exact copy of the report of the arbitrators, which was in the hand-writing of Jacob Rudisill, one of the arbitrators.

We the Subscribers Indifferently Chosen and Elected as arbitrators to Settle a Certain Dispute Between Jacob Sherman and George Everhart, Concerning a Desk and Tea-Table, and upon hearing the parties, we Do find that the said George Everhart is to pay to the said Jacob Sherman the sums herein after Mentioned, to be paid at or before the Twenty fifth Day of May Next Ensuing the Date hereof.

	£	s	d
To a Desk and Tea-Table	10	10	
To Sending the Team twice for the above	1	10	
To the Interest of the above articles	2	12	6
To a Writ & Cost Served by Conrad Sherman	2	5	
	£ 16	17	6

And We Do Further Find that the said George Everhart, is to Pay all the Cost of a Certain action Now in Court Depending Between the said

parties on account of the above articles.

Witness our hands this Twenty first Day of May 1782.

Jacob Rudisill.

William Campbell.

A Republican form of government having been established, after the Royal power of George III. of England was overcome by the thirteen colonies, in the Revolution in 1775, two political parties came into existence, viz: Whig and Tory. It was the Whig party to which George Everhart connected himself, and instilled its noble principles in the minds of his descendants. He never held any political office, from the fact, that his educational training was German, whilst the public business was conducted in the English Language.

Having been born in the first half of the eighteenth century, his life was prolonged far into the first half of the nineteenth century, and thus exceeding the Psalmist's threescore years and ten; and if by reason of strength fourscore years.

He died April 13th 1835, at the ripe old age of 89 years, 6 months and 2 days, having survived his wife nearly 5 years. They were both members of the German Reformed Church. Their remains were interred in the Cemetery at Bowers Church in the "Valley," a few miles from their late residence.

There were born unto George and Eve Elizabeth Everhart two sons, George and David, and three daughters, Mary Magdaline, Elizabeth and Rachel.

CHAPTER III.

WILL OF GEORGE EVERHART, Senior.

In the name of God, Amen ! I, George Everhart of Baltimore Co., in the State of Maryland; being weak in body, of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, considering the certainty of death, and the uncertainty thereof, and being desirous to settle my worldly affairs, and thereby be the better prepared to leave this world, when it shall please God to call me hence, do therefore make and publish this my last will and testament, in manner and form following:—

First and principally, I commit my soul into the hands of Almighty God, who gave it, and my body to the earth, to be decently buried at the discretion of my executor herein after named.

I will and bequeath all my wearing apparel and family bible, unto my son George Everhart.

I will and bequeath one secretary, one looking

glass, one desk, and one book case, one chest of drawers, three bedsteads, beds and bedding belong thereto, three small stands and six chairs, to my three daughters, viz; Polly wife of George Weaver, Rachel wife of Conrad Kerlinger, and Elizabeth wife of Samuel Myers, to be equally divided amongst them. But in the event that my three daughters cannot agree upon a division of said property, then and in such case, I direct and empower my executor to sell said property at public sale, and to divide the money arising from such sale amongst my three daughters, equally, share alike. I will & bequeath all my books (the bible as above devised excepted excepted) to my son George, and my three daughters, Polly, Rachel & Elizabeth, to be divided amongst them as they may agree. I order direct empower & authorize my executor, as soon as conveniently may be after my death, to sell all my personal property not herein before devised by me, and the money arising from such sale, left in the hands of my executor, after the payment of my debts and the charges of my funeral, to be divided in four equal shares, which I will and bequeath as follows to wit: One equal share to my son George, one equal share to my daughter Polly wife of George Weaver, one equal share to my grandson George Everhart of Geo, Jun. in trust to apply the same to the separate use and benefit of my daughter Rachel wife of Conrad

Kerlinger, and any receipts or writings from my said daughter to my said grandson, witnessing the payment or application of said money for her separate use and benefit, signed by her though a Feme-covert, to be sufficient discharges to my said grandson for the same. One equal share to my grandson George Myers, in Trust, to apply the same to the separate use and benefit of my daughter Elizabeth, wife of Samuel Myers, and receipts or writings from my said daughter to my said grandson, witnessing the payment or application of said money for her separate use and benefit, signed by her, though a Feme-covert, to be sufficient discharges to my grandson for the same.

I will and bequeath all my tract of land lying and being in Baltimore Co., called "Coxes' Ketch" (it being the same land conveyed to me by Samuel Myers, by his deed bearing date the 13th day of October in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and twenty six, and recorded amongst the land Records of Baltimore Co., in Liber W. G. No.182 folios 661) unto my grandson George Myers and his heirs forever, upon the following Trusts, and to and for the following purposes, to wit: First, in trust, to allow and permit my daughter Elizabeth to have, hold, use, occupy, possess and enjoy the said Land, for and during her life time (and in case her said husband shall survive her) and then to apply the profits and

proceeds of the same, to the separate use, benefit and maintenance of my said daughter for and during her said life. Secondly, in trust, to convey the said tract of land as soon as conveniently can be (after the death of my said daughter in case her said husband shall survive her) to all the children of my said daughter, their heirs and assigns as tenants in common, equally to be divided amongst them, and in case that any of the children of my said daughter should die leaving issue, then and in such case, the issue of the child or children so dying, to stand in the place and have the same proportion of the said land, that the parent of such issue, if living, would be entitled to, and my grandson as Trustee to convey accordingly. And lastly, in trust, in case my daughter Elizabeth shall survive her husband Samuel Myers, then as soon as conveniently can be after the death of said Samuel Myers to convey the said tract of land to my daughter Elizabeth, her heirs and assigns for ever.

I give and devise my plantation or tract of land, whereon I now dwell, situate part in Baltimore Co., and part in Frederick Co., Md., adjoining the lands of Jacob Bixler, the heirs of John Weaver, deceased, Christian Geiman, George Weaver, of Henry, Mr. Whine and others: Also all that part or parcel of land, being part of a tract called "Hall's Addition," being situate as the above plantation, adjoining the lands of George

Mathias, John Borns, Jacob Bixler, George Gummel, the aforesaid plantation and the above part of the said tract, containing about three hundred acres of land, be the same more or less, unto my son George Everhart, his heirs and assigns forever. In consideration of which my son George Everhart shall pay to my grandson Geo. Everhart of Geo. Jr., in trust, for the use and benefit of my daughter Rachael, wife of Conrad Kerlinger, the sum of five hundred and thirty four dollars, on payments as follows: One hundred dollars, part thereof, to be paid to him, my grandson, at the end of one year after my death. One hundred dollars, part thereof, at the end of three years: One hundred dollars, at the end of five years: One hundred dollars, at the end of six years, and the balance of one hundred and thirty four dollars at the end of seven years after my death; said payments to be without interest.

And my grandson Geo. Everhart of Geo. Jr., shall apply said money to the separate use, benefit and maintenance of my daughter Rachel during her life time. (And in the event that my daughter shall die leaving no issue and leaving money in the hands of my grandson, or coming into his hands for the use of my said daughter, of my Estate and not expended by her; then and in such case, I will and bequeath the said money to my grand-daughter Elizabeth wife of Henry Houck, to her and her heirs to be paid unto her

as the same shall come into the hands of my said grandson, and any receipts or writings, witnessing the payment by her or her husband shall be a sufficient discharge to my grandson for any sum or sums of money by him paid to her or him.)

And any receipts or writings witnessing the payment or application of the said money or any part thereof to the separate use, benefit and maintenance of my said daughter and signed by her though a Feme-covert, to be a sufficient discharge to my grandson, for any sum or sums of money by him applied for her use and benefit.

And my son George Everhart shall likewise exonerate, acquit, release and discharge Conrad Kerlinger, his heirs and assigns forever from the payment of eighty six dollars, owing to him the said George Everhart, from the said Conrad Kerlinger, on this day and date of the execution of this will. And I do acquit, exonerate, release & forever discharge the said Conrad Kerlinger, his heirs, executors and administrators from all demands and claims whatsoever, which I have against him, for, by and on account, or by means of any sum or sums of money, or by property by me given or advanced to him, in part of my said daughter Rachel's portion of my Estate & charged to Conrad Kerlinger on my book of accounts. And my son George Everhart, also shall pay to my daughter Polly, wife of George Weaver, the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars.

One hundred dollars thereof to be paid to my said daughter Polly, at the end of two years after my death, and the balance of one hundred and fifty to be paid to my said daughter Polly at the end of four years after my death, said payments to be without interest. And then also my said son George Everhart shall likewise deliver up, cancel or destroy all receipts, notes or obligations which he holds against the said George Weaver, the husband of my daughter Polly, for any sum or sums of money paid or advanced to him by my said son George Everhart, to him the said Geo. Weaver in part of my daughter Polly's portion of my Estate being the sum of four hundred and seventy seven dollars, on the day and date of this will. And I do hereby acquit, exonerate, release and forever discharge the said George Weaver, his heirs, executors and administrators, from all claims and demands whatsoever, which I have against him, for, by and on account, or by reason or by means of any sum or sums of money or property by me given or advanced to him in part of my daughter Polly's portion of my Estate, and charged to said George Weaver on my book of accounts. And whereas I have not left any part or portion of my Estate to the children of my son David now, deceased, I deem it proper here to state, that it is not from want of regard or affection on my part towards them, that they have been excluded, but in consequence of the

large amount of debts, which I have paid of his contracting, monies and property real and personal, by me advanced to my said son in his life time, which debts, paid monies and property advanced by me to my said son stands charged to him on my book of accounts, and I do hereby declare that the amount of monies charged to my said son David on my book of accounts, and from which I do by these presents acquit and discharge his heirs, executors and administrators, shall go in full satisfaction of all right, title, interest, claim and demand whatsoever, which the heirs of my said son David, deceased, may or can in any way pretend to have or claim of, in, or to all, or any part of my Estate, whether real, personal or mixed. (except the one of said, dec'd, daughter's herein before mentioned, being Elizabeth the wife of Henry Houck). And I do by these presents likewise acquit and discharge my son-in-law Samuel Myers, his heirs, executors and administrators from all claims and demands whatsoever, which I have against him for monies and property advanced by me in my life time, to the said Samuel Myers and charged to him on my books of accounts. And lastly I do hereby constitute, nominate and appoint my son George Everhart to be my sole Executor of this my last will and testament, revoking and annulling all former wills by me heretofore made, ratifying and confirming this and none other to be my last will

and testament. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this seventeenth day of July in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and thirty three.

George Everhart. [Seal.]

Signed, sealed, published and declared by George Everhart, the above named Testator, as and for his last will and testament, in the presence of us, who at his request, in his presence and in the presence of each other, have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses thereto.

George Weaver, of Henry.

Christian Geiman.

George Mathias, Jr.

J. Henry Hoppe.

In testimony that the foregoing is a true copy taken from the original, filed and remaining in the Office of the Register of Wills for Baltimore Co., I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of my Office this 30th day of April 1835.

Test: D. M. Perine, Register of Wills for Baltimore Co., Md. [Seal.]

CHAPTER IV.

GEORGE EVERHART, Jun.

George Everhart, son of George and Eve Elizabeth, and grandson of Paul, was born at the old Homestead, November 10th, 1771. He never learned a trade, but adopted farming as his occupation, and remained on the plantation with his father, and succeeded to the Estate after his father's death. It was during his career as a farmer, that the toil of farming was somewhat alleviated by the introduction of the Grain Cradle, instead of the Hand Sickle, which caused a storm of opposition. The grain was also threshed by machinery, instead of by hand with a flail. Towards the end of his farming operations, the Grain Reaper, worked by horses, was invented and used extensively and successfully.

He was married in the year 1796, to Elizabeth Weaver, daughter of Philip Weaver, who lived on an adjoining plantation. She was born January 5th, 1778, and her life having been prolonged almost a century, (90 years, 2 mos., & 7 days) 61 years of which was wedded life, she died the 5th day of march 1868, having survived her

husband 11 years. Although deprived of her sight for the last fifteen years of her life, yet she was always cheerful and happy. At all times she welcomed you with the same friendly greeting and hearty shake of the hand. When you approached her, she would turn her sightless orbs towards you and say "although, I can't see you, yet I know who you are." She was a faithful and devoted member of the Reformed Church. Her remains were deposited in the Cemetery in Manchester, Md.

"I saw an aged woman upon her bier ;
 Her hair was thin and white, and on her brow
 A record of the cares of many a year ;
 Cares that were ended and forgotten now.
 And there was sadness round, and faces bowed,
 And many tears fell fast, and children wailed aloud.

Then rose a hoary headed man and said,
 In faltering accents to that weeping train,
 'Why mourn ye that our aged friend is dead ?
 Ye are not sad to see the gathered grain ;
 Nor when their mellow fruit the orchard cast,
 Nor when the yellow woods let fall their ripened
 mast.

Why weep ye, then, for her who having won
 The bound of man's appointed years, atlast,
 Life's blessings all enjoyed, life's labor done.

Serenely to her final rest has passed ;
 While the soft memory of her virtues, yet,
 Lingers like twilight hues, when the sun is set ?

And I am glad that she has lived thus long,
 And glad that she has gone to her reward ;
 Nor can I deem that nature did her wrong,
 Softly to disengage the vital cord.
 For when her hand grew palsied, and her eye
 Dark with the mists of age, it was time to die."

He continued the cultivation of his farm until he reached his 81st year, when the infirmities of old age admonished him to relinquish farming, and enjoy the fruits of a well spent life.

It was during the latter half of his life, that the application of lime was made to the soil, which had become exhausted by the continued crops of grain raised on it. Previous to the discovery of the valuable nature of lime, and its adaptability to increase the productiveness of worn out lands, farming was not very remunerative, from the fact that the soil was yearly losing the very properties that were required to produce the necessities of life ; and it was found necessary to apply some fertilizer, that would replace what was being continually taken away. This great boon was at last found in lime, which has proven to be one of the greatest blessings to mankind.

In March 1852, just 100 years after his grand-

father Paul Everhart had settled on this estate, he removed to Manchester, Md., where he lived a retired life, and died on the nation's birth-day, July 4th, 1857, aged 85 years, 7 months & 24 days, honored and lamented by a large circle of friends and acquaintances. He was upright and just, in all his dealings with his fellowman, and was esteemed and respected by all with whom he came in contact, in the business relations of life.

He never aspired to any political office, but was always a firm Jeffersonian Democrat. He was a strict member of the Reformed Church, and his remains were interred in the Cemetery located in Manchester.

To this aged couple whose lives had reached beyond the fourscore years, and who had lived together in the holy bonds of wedlock 61 years, there were born, four sons; Jacob, George, John and David, and five daughters; Rachel, Mary, Eve Elizabeth, Savilla and Elenora; neither of whom died before they had reached the 60th year of age which is somewhat of a remarkable fact. Even to the present time (1883) of the whole number, only two have died, although it is 65 years since the youngest child was born. Longevity appears to be characteristic of the Everhart family, as thus far, 10 of the descendants of Paul bearing the name of Everhart, are known to have lived beyond the 75th year. In order that all may see that he carried out his principles of justice and

equity to all, we give a copy of his last Will and Testament, in which will be found no favoritism, but each one has received the proper share of his earthly possessions.

CHAPTER V.

WILL OF GEORGE EVERHART, JUN.

In the name of God, Amen! I George Everhart, Jr., of Carroll Co., in the State of Maryland, being weak in body, but of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding; considering the certainty of death, and the uncertainty of the time thereof, and being desirous to settle my worldly affairs and thereby, be the better prepared to leave this world when it shall please God to call me hence: Do therefore make and publish this instrument of writing to be my last Will and Testament in manner and form following, —That is to say: First and principally I commit my soul into the hands of Almighty God, and my body to the earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executor hereinafter named, and after my debts and funeral charges are paid I give, devise and bequeath my estate as follows,—To wit:

I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Elizabeth, two cows, two shoats, (the choice of my stock) one eight day clock and case, one case of drawers, one small bureau, six chairs, two common rocking chairs, one ten-plate stove and pipe, one iron kettle, iron pots, tubs, buckets and such other kitchen furniture as she may select for her use, two beds & bedsteads complete, one work-stand, one leaf-table and such other articles in the house, including coverlets, quilts, blankets, sheets, table cloths and as much of the crockery, glass and queensware as she may select for her own use." I also give and bequeath unto my wife Elizabeth, my negro woman Charlotte Williams, to serve my said wife during her natural life and at the death of my wife Elizabeth, I do hereby liberate, manumit and from slavery set free my said negro woman Charlotte Williams, from all further services, to her heirs, executors or administrators.

I give and bequeath unto my daughter Eve Elizabeth the sum of one hundred dollars, to be paid to her my said daughter, one year after my death, by my Executor out of the proceeds of my estate. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Elenora, the sum of one hundred dollars, to be paid to her my said daughter, one year after my death, by my Executor out of the proceeds of my estate. I give and bequeath unto my grandson Ashton Krantz, the sum of fifty dollars, said sum

of money to be applied by my executor towards his schooling, in such manner as my executor may think best for his benefit,

I give, devise and bequeath unto my daughter Savilla married to John Krantz, my lot of ground, containing one quarter of an acre of land with the buildings and appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate, lying and being in the town of Manchester, Carroll Co., adjoining lots of land, of the German Reformed parsonage and George Weaver, (being the same lot of ground and dwelling, in which my daughter Savilla and her husband now live) to her my said daughter Savilla during her life, and at her death, to them, their heirs and assigns, share and share alike.

It is my Will, and I order and direct that when a distribution is made of my estate, the sum of three hundred and ten dollars, without interest, to be deducted out of the share coming to my daughter Savilla (being the amount which I paid for the said house and lot devised to her in this my last Will and Testament). And I further order and direct the sum of eighty dollars due me on a single bill, dated the 11th day of march 1841, due me from John Krantz her husband to be deducted out of the share that will be coming to my said daughter Savilla, and when deducted, I order said single bill to be given up by my executor, or to be destroyed and cancelled.

I give, devise and bequeath unto my son John

Everhart, about five acres of woodland lying and being in Carroll Co., adjoining lands of Lewis Riggle and the heirs of Jacob Geiger, dec'd, on the road leading from Manchester to Westminster, being part of the land heretofore conveyed by Dennis Davis, to me by deed, dated the 5th day of May 1820, and recorded in Liber, w. G. No. 156, folio 536 and one of the land records of Baltimore Co., to him my said son John, his heirs and assigns forever.

I order and direct, and it is my will, that my two negro men, namely, Henry Williams and Jesse Williams, render service to my estate six months after my death, such as my executor may direct them to do, for the benefit of the estate, in the hands of the executor. And at which time being six months after my death, the said Henry Williams & Jesse Williams, I do hereby liberate, manumit and from slavery set free.

I authorize, empower, order and direct that as soon as conveniently may be after my death, all my goods and chattels not willed or bequeathed in this my last will and testament together with all my Real Estate not willed or devised, consisting of a farm of about two hundred and eighty two acres of land be the same more or less, on which I now reside, and about eight acres lying adjoining lands of Henry Warehime, Samuel Matthias and others, being the same land & premises heretofore devised to me by my father George

Everhart's last will and testament, bearing date on or about July 16th 1833, and recorded in the Register's office of Baltimore Co., with such other lands purchased by me from Philip Weaver, by deed, dated the 15th day of June 1814, and recorded in Liber W. G. No. 128 folio 362, one of the land records of Baltimore Co., containing two acres and fifty one perches of land more or less. I order and direct to be sold at public sale, on such terms and conditions, as my executor may be best for all parties concerned, and after the payment of my debts, funeral expenses and legacies I order and direct and it is my will that the sum of two thousand dollars out of the purchase money of my real estate, be set apart by my executor, & the interest thereof to be paid to my wife Elizabeth, during her life annually for her support and maintenance, this and other bequests, made and contained in this my last will and testament for the support of my wife, to be in full satisfaction of her right of dower and claim to thirds of my estate both real, personal and mixed. The said sum of two thousand dollars as above mentioned to be and remain in my executor's hands, or shall invest the same in some Bank or fund, or otherwise as he may think proper, on good and sufficient security, and shall pay the interest and profits arising from the same annually to my said wife Elizabeth, during her natural life, and at the death of my wife, I will and bequeath the said sum of

two thousand dollars, with the interest, if any be due thereon, the same to be equally divided amongst my children, to them and their heirs, share and share alike, as herein after directed, in the same manner as the balance of my estate, now order and directed to be divided & restricted.

And it is my will and I order and direct that the balance of the proceeds of my estate remaining, after payment of debts, expenses, legacies and amounts as set apart for my wife, as aforesaid, remaining in the hands of my said executor arising from the sales of my real and personal estate, I give and bequeath as follows, to Wit:—

One equal share of said balance to my son Jacob Everhart and his heirs.

One equal share of said balance to my son George Everhart and his heirs.

One equal share of said balance to my son John Everhart and his heirs.

One equal share of said balance to my son David Everhart and his heirs.

One equal share of said balance to my daughter Mary wife of Jacob Shower, and her heirs.

One equal share of said balance to my daughter Rachel wife of George Shower, and her heirs.

One equal share of said balance to my daughter Eve Elizabeth and her heirs.

One equal share of said balance to my daughter Elenora and her heirs.

One equal share of said balance to my daugh-

ter Savilla, wife of John Krantz, and her heirs, deducting therefrom the aforementioned sums amounting to three hundred and ninety dollars, the balance to be paid to my daughter Savilla, whose separate receipt for said sum or any part thereof to be sufficient discharge to my executor, and at the death of my daughter Savilla, any or the whole that would be coming to her from my estate after my death, and after the death of my wife, the same to be paid over by my executor to her children, share and share alike.

And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my son George Everhart, sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament, with full power and authority to sell and convey by deed or deeds for any part of my real estate, by this my last Will and Testament, directed to be sold to the purchaser or purchasers thereof, in manner as full, ample and effectual to all intents and purposes as I myself might or could do if living. Hereby revoking and annulling all wills and testaments by me made, ratifying and confirming this and none other to be my last Will and Testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this twelfth day of May in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and forty nine.

George Everhart, Jr. [Seal.]

Signed, sealed, published and declared by

George Everhart, Jr., the above named Testator, as and for his last Will and Testament, in the presence of us, who at his request, in his presence, and in the presence of each other have subscribed our names as witnesses thereto.

Jacob Wine.

Daniel J. Geiman.

J. Henry Hoppe.

CODICIL.

Whereas I George Everhart, Jr., of Carroll Co., Maryland, have made and duly executed my last Will and Testament in writing bearing date the twelfth day of May, eighteen hundred and forty nine, which said Will and Testament, and every clause, bequest and devise therein contained, I do hereby ratify and confirm (saving and excepting such clauses, bequest and devises, therein mentioned as are by me herein after revoked and made void) and being desirous to alter such parts thereof, and of making additions thereto, do hereby make this my codicil, which I will and direct shall be taken and held as a part of my said will and testament, in manner and form following, that is to say ;

And whereas the Lot & House, in which I now live, in the town of Manchester, Carroll Co., Md.

hath been purchased by me since the making of my last will and testament, and thinking it necessary the better to enable my wife to live with convenience and comfort, I do therefore by this my codicil, give and bequeath unto my said wife Elizabeth Everhart, in addition to what I have given her in my last will and testament, my house and lot of ground in the town of Manchester, during her natural life, and after the death of my widow, I give the said house and lot unto my two daughters, Eve Elizabeth and Elenora Everhart, so long as they or either of them shall remain single. And in case they should see fit and proper to change their way of living and get married, I then order and direct my executor to sell the said House and Lot of ground at public sale, and of the money arising from such sale, I give and bequeath unto my daughter Eve Elizabeth Everhart, the sum of one hundred dollars, in addition to what I have given her in my last will and testament. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Elenora Everhart, the sum of one hundred dollars in addition to what I have given her in my last will and testament. The balance of the money arising from the sale of the house and lot in the town of Manchester, to be equally divided among all my children, share and share alike. It is also my will and wish, and I do hereby order and direct that my executor furnish my widow and my two daughters Eve Elizabeth and Elenora, with all

the necessaries of life for one year after my death out of and from the rent of my farm and real estate, and provender enough to keep one cow one year after my death. In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this third day of November in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and fifty four.

George Everhart, Jr. [Seal.]

Signed, sealed, published and declared by George Everhart, Jr. the above named Testator as and for a codicil to his last will and testament, in the presence of us, who at his request, in his presence and in the presence of each other, have subscribed our names as witnesses thereto.

Jacob Campbell.

John C. Price.

Michael Sullivan.

In testimony that the foregoing is a true copy taken from the original, filed and remaining in the Office of the Register of Wills for Carroll Co., I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of my Office this 27th day of July 1857.

Test : Joseph M. Parke, Register of Wills for Carroll Co., Md. [Seal.]

CHAPTER VI.

JACOB EVERHART AND FAMILY.

Jacob, eldest son of George and Elizabeth Everhart, was born June 6th 1797, at the Homestead. Not having learned any trade, he worked on the farm of his father, until his marriage in May 1821, to Elizabeth Born, who was born January 9th 1801. After his marriage, he moved on to the farm of Conrad Kerlinger, lying 4 miles N. East of Manchester, and was engaged in agricultural pursuits several years. He purchased a farm near Bachman's Valley, on which he lived two years, when he disposed of it, and removed to Reisterstown, Md., 16 miles North of Baltimore City, at the junction of two turnpikes, the one extending to Chambersburg, Franklin Co., Pa., and the other to Carlisle, Cumberland Co., Pa.

Here he kept an Hotel, for the accommodation of the large number of travellers, who passed over these turnpikes to Baltimore City. This was in the days when railroads were very few, and the greater part of the products of the country had to be taken to Market on "Conestoga

Wagons," and passengers were conveyed in lumbering "Stage Coaches," or in private vehicles.

"We hear no more the clinking hoof,
 And the stage coach rattling by;
 For the steam king rules the travelling world,
 And the old pike's left to die.
 The grass creeps o'er the flinty path,
 And the stealthy daisies steal
 Where once the stage horse, day by day,
 Lifted his iron heel.

No more the weary stager dreads
 The toil of coming morn;
 No more the bustling landlord runs
 At the sound of the echoing horn.
 For the dust lies still upon the road,
 And the bright-eyed children play
 Where once the clattering hoof and wheel
 Rattled along the way.

No more do we hear the cracking whip,
 Or the strong wheel's rumbling sound;
 And ho! the water drives us on,
 And an iron horse is found.
 The coach stands rusting in the yard,
 And the horse has sought the plough.
 We have spanned the world with an iron rail,
 And the steam king rules us now.

During his residence in Reisterstown he was left a widower, by the death of his devoted wife, who died November 10th, 1840, aged 39 years, 10 months and 1 day. Her remains were interred in the Cemetery in Manchester, Md.

“Ten thousand words the tongue has framed,
But never was there known a name.

So sweet as that of MOTHER;
We on this name in silence dwell,
And think, while thinking often tells,
You ne’er shall find another.

In history sacred, or profane,
In records past of highest fame,
I hear no name like mother;
And all the catalogues of time,
Have not a sound that’s so sublime,
Where shall we find another?

‘Tis sweet, because in sorrow’s hour,
Her sympathies will overpower,
The troubles of the heart;
Melodious is this voice, and why?
Because its sweetness will not die,
But lasting joy impart.”

He was married the second time, in the Fall of 1841, to Mrs. Elizabeth Christ. He removed to

Blue Ball, several miles north of Reisterstown, where he lived 2 years, when he moved to Westminster & continued to supply the wants of the Public with an Hotel, for 7 years. He then removed to Carrollton a few miles south of Westminster, where he remained 2 years and then returned to Reisterstown, where he died September, 16th 1872, aged 75 years, 3 months and 10 days. His remains were buried in the Cemetery at Manchester. He was politically a Democrat, though he never held any political office. His second wife survived him two years, and died in July, 1874,

“My mother ! there is music in that name !

The warmest friendships of my youth decay,
But thou hast been, wilt ever be, the same,

A mother's love can never pass away !

In wealth and honor, poverty and shame,

It changeth not, unless more pure to glow ;
Dear as her own she holds her onspring's name,

Will share his pleasure, mitigate his woe ;
And when friends, fortune, character, are gone,
And all but her revile, the mother still loves on !”

The issue of his second marriage was one daughter Julia A. who was married to David World, who is dead. Their offspring are two sons Jacob & William, and two daughters Julia

and Carrie. The issue of his first marriage to Elizabeth Born, were three sons, Greenbury, who died young, Samuel P. and George W., and four daughters, Ellen Martha, who died September 10 1837, aged 15 years, 2 months and 7 days, Miranda, Marian and Catharine E.

Samuel P. Everhart, second son of Jacob and Elizabeth, was born in the year 1832. He was married to Miss Carrie Yingling. He resides in Westminster, Md., and is engaged in huckstering and the cultivation of his farm. The offspring of this marriage were four sons, Charles, George Y., John and William.

George W. Everhart third son of Jacob and Elizabeth, was born in Bachman's Valley, March 23d, 1835. When six years old. he went to live with his grandfather George Everhart with whom he remained until 1852, when he apprenticed himself to his uncle John Everhart, and learned the trade of a shoemaker. He worked at this for five years, but constant sitting and confinement impaired his health and he relinquished it.

He then followed the occupation of a Marketman, supplying the markets of Baltimore City, with the various products, which he obtained in York and Adams Co's, Pa. At present he is engaged in selling agricultural implements.

He was married September 4th, 1859 to Rachel Frankforter of Manchester, in which place he has

always resided since his marriage. There were born unto Geo. W. and Rachel Everhart, five sons, Frank W., Charles J., Henry P., who died June 7th, 1865, George A., and Clarence E., who died April 8th, 1881, and three daughters, Jeannetta J. Sarah A., and Marian J.

Miranda Everhart, daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth, was born February 15th, 1824. She was married to Richard Mauning of Westminster, February 24th, 1847, by the Rev. Elias Heiner, in the Reformed Church in Baltimore. She was a member of the Reformed Church, but after her removal to Westminster, (there being no Reformed church there then) she united with the Methodist church, of which she was a faithful & consistent member. After her marriage, she always resided in Westminster, until her death, which occurred May 28th, 1865, aged 41 years, 3 months and 13 days. She was an affectionate wife, and kind and loving mother, and left two daughters, Mary V., and Alretta E., and one son Jesse J.

“I hear the soft wind sighing,
 Through every bush and tree ;
 Where now dear mother's lying
 Away from love and me.
 Tears from my eyes are starting,
 And sorrow shades my brow ;
 Oh ! weary was our parting,
 I have no mother now.

My heart is ever lonely,
 My life is drear and sad ;
 'Twas her dear presence only
 That made my spirit glad.
 From morning until eve,
 Care rests upon my brow ;
 She's gone from me to heaven,
 I have no mother now."

Marian Everhart, daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth, was born April 11th, 1828, and was married October 11th, 1855, to Charles H. Henneman. They are both members of the Reformed Church, and reside in Westminster Md. In marked contrast with her youngest sister, no prattling babe ever made glad the loving heart of its mother.

Catharine E., youngest daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth Everhart, was born July 20th, 1830.

In her girlhood she was noted for her beauty, and was married to Airhart Winters, January 15th, 1847. They have always resided upon a large farm beautifully located about one mile east of Westminster, on what is familiarly known as the "Wampler's Mill" property.

They have reared and been blessed with a fine large family of children, twelve in number, viz: Abram, the eldest son, who is married to Kate M. Little, of Baltimore Co., Md.: William S., who died in his 24th, year of age: Austin the

third son, who is married to Mamie Kenney of Baltimore City: Mary E., who is married to Jos. W. Cathcart, of Harford Co., Md.: Martha F., who married John F. Thompson, of Frederick Co. Hannah W., who married Frank Hann, of Frederick Co., and Addie V., who married William Hollenberry, of Carroll Co., Md. The remaining children are named, Katie, Caroline, Alretta, Avalen and John B. Thirteen grandchildren are also numbered in the family connection, ten of whom are living and three are dead.

CHAPTER VII.

GEORGE EVERHART, OF GEO. Jun.

At the ancestral home, on the 31st day of January, 1800, George Everhart was born, the second son of George & Elizabeth and great-grandson of Paul Everhart, and the third George in a direct line of succession. He worked on the farm for his father, until he arrived at the age of 20 years, when he apprenticed himself to learn the trade of a Cabinet Maker, with Henry Shultz, in Manchester, Md., at which he worked for 5 years. His grandfather being the owner of a large tract of land (500 acres) in the State of Kentucky which needed the attention of some one, and George also being desirous of seeing the "Great West" resolved to make the trip on horseback. At that period of our country's history, a journey of that distance was considered quite an undertaking. Then there was not a single mile of railroad built in the United States, and the telegraph was unknown. Now the continent is spanned from the Atlantic to the Pacific Ocean with railroads, and it requires less time now (1883) to travel from

ocean to ocean, than it did then to travel to the seemingly far off state of Kentucky.

Through the mould and through the clay,
 Through the corn and through the hay,
 By the margin of the lake,
 O'er the river, through the brake,
 O'er the bleak and dreary moor,
 On we hie with screech and roar,
 Splashing! flashing!
 Crashing! dashing!

Over ridges,
 Gullies, bridges,
 By the bubbling rill,
 And mill,

Highways,
 By-ways,

 Hollow-hill,
 Jumping, bumping,
 Rocking, roaring

 Like 40,000 giants snoring!
 By the lonely hut and mansion,
 By the ocean's wide expansion,
 Where the factory chimney smokes;
 Where the foundry bellows croaks;
 Dash along!

 Splash along!
 Crash along!
 Flash along!

 On! on! with a jump,
 And a bump,
 And a roll!
 Hies the fire-fiend to its destined goal!

O'er the aqueduct and bog,
 On we fly with ceaseless jog.
 Every instant something new,
 Every instant lost to view,
 Now a tavern, now a steeple—
 Now a crowd of gaping poeple—
 Now a hollow, now a ridge—
 Now a cross-way, now a bridge—
 Grumble, stumble—
 Rumble, tumble—
 Fretting, getting in a stew!
 Church and steeple, gaping people,
 Quick as thought are lost to view,
 Every thing that eye can survey,
 Turns hurly-burly, topsy-turvy!
 Each passenger is thumped and shaken,
 As physic is, when to be taken.
 By the foundry, past the forge,
 Through the plain and mountain gorge,
 Where cathedral rears its head,
 Where repose the silent dead!
 Monuments amid the grass,
 Flit like spectres as you pass!
 If to hail a friend inclined,
 Whish! whirl! kaswash! he's left behind!
 Rumble, tumble, all the day,
 Thus we pass the hours away."

The journey having been decided upon, he provided himself with a fine black horse. His clothing were packed in a leathern valise which was strapped on the back of the horse, behind the saddle. Thus equipped, he started upon his long

"Western Tour," the 16th day of May, 1825.

His departure was not announced by the whistle of a steam engine, but the only sound heard, was the clattering of his horse's feet on the earth. How great the contrast between then and now! He passed through Emmittsburg, Md., Waynesboro, Pa., and thence direct to Hagerstown, Md. From here he traveled on the National Turnpike, through Hancock and Cumberland, Md., and thence to Wheeling, Va., where he crossed the Ohio river. A few miles from here he stopped over night, where he met the Engineers who were locating the National pike in the State of Ohio. He traveled westward to Cincinnati, which then had a population of about 12,000. In 1880 it had increased to 255,804. Here he remained three weeks with his uncle David Weaver, who was in the merchantile business in that city.

During this visit, his uncle had a flat-bottomed boat loaded with a general assortment of dry-goods and groceries, and a crew of men, among whom was George, rowed the boat across the Ohio and up the Licking river in Kentucky, a distance of 30 miles. As there were no stores along the river at that time, they stopped at different points and exchanged their stock of merchandise with the people, for the various products of the country. The crew of the boat were generally fond of drinking whiskey, in which they indulged pretty freely. They persuaded George that it was necessary

for him also to use whiskey, to protect him from the malaria which prevailed along the river, particularly, as he was not used to the climate.

By the time they returned from the expedition he too had become fond of the soul-destroying poison. Although young and inexperienced, he saw that if he wished to avoid becoming a drunkard, he must abstain from drinking altogether.

Then and there he learned a lesson which proved an incalculable blessing during his lifetime. He firmly resolved that he and liquor would part company forever, which resolution he has faithfully carried out. May this incident in his life, teach the same valuable lesson, to whoever may read this volume. His visit here being ended, he traveled to Larenceburg, Ind., where he crossed the Ohio river into Kentucky. Proceeding southward he traveled through the state to Lexington 77 miles south of Cincinnati. Here Henry Clay, of national fame, resided, whose eloquence and power as a statesman, in that early period of our country's history, was heard and felt throughout the Union.

Continueing his journey southward, he made the acquaintance of a young man, who traveled with him to his place of destination. Whilst riding through the wilds of Kentucky, they lost their way, and when the last lingering rays of the setting sun disappeared behind the western hills, & the shades of evening had closed around our weary travelers, they beheld in the distance a faint

glimmering light. Cheered by this beacon, they soon reached the humble abode of one of Kentucky's yeomen. Upon inquiring whether they could be entertained for the night, the worthy host replied "I have plenty of corn for your horses, and will give you the best I have, for yourselves."

The hungry guests fared sumptuously on corn bread and bacon, and enjoyed the repast as well, as if they had been entertained in the palace of a king. Refreshed with a night's slumbers in the best bed in the house, our travellers resumed the journey in the morning. Before they reached the end of their journey, they met with quite an amusing incident. As they were riding along, they saw a very beautiful black and white spotted animal in the road, which appeared quite tame.

Neither one having seen an animal like it before, George's companion dismounted and attempted to catch it, but the perfume it sent forth, soon revealed that it was a skunk, and our traveller retreated, mounted again and left the bloodless field of battle in possession of the enemy.

They reached their point of destination safely, which was in Rockcastle Co., on Dick's river, 6 miles from Mt. Vernon the County seat. Here George remained six weeks with W. J. Anderson, who was a great politician, and at that time was a candidate for a public office.

Mr. Anderson having taken a particular fancy for him, invited him to accompany him in all his

electioneering tours, which he accepted, but their combined persuading powers were not sufficient to prevent Mr. Anderson from being defeated.

Owing to the intimate friendship which sprung up between them, Mr. Anderson only charged him \$10 for the board of himself and the horse during his six weeks sojourn.

From here he proceeded to Cumberland Gap, and slept one night in Tennessee. Then traveled homeward through the Great Valley of Va. He remained over night one mile from the Natural Bridge, which he visited and wrote his name on it. Proceeding on his journey he passed through Lexington and Staunton, to Harrisonburg, where he remained several days with William Weaver; he then went to Woodstock and having crossed the Shenandoah river remained over night with a Pa., farmer whose name he did not recollect. He then traveled through Winchester & Charlestown, and crossed the Potomac river at Harper's Ferry.

A short distance from the river he remained over night with a farmer, intending to make a very early start the next morning, so as to reach home the same day. An exceedingly dense fog wrapt the earth as in a mantle, in the morning, which continued until after he arrived at Frederick Md., where he became so bewildered that he was utterly unable to determine the proper road to take so as to reach home. In this dilemma he made the second inquiry of the same individual,

before he could be convinced that he was on the right road, so great was his bewilderment. At last convinced that he was on the correct route, he proceeded through Woodsboro, Middleburg and Uniontown. When he reached this point, even his faithful horse, who had carried him thus far, seemed to know he was nearing home, as he appeared infused with new life, and traveled with renewed vigor and energy. He arrived home about sunset, on September 6th, 1825, having traveled 1250 miles, and was absent nearly four months. The trip only costing him \$60.

He commenced merchandising, April 1st, 1826, in Manchester, Baltimore (now Carroll) Co., Md., having purchased the stock of goods, amounting to \$700, from Marcus Spencer. He remained 3 years in this house, called "Kerlinger's Stand," when he purchased a tannery property on the opposite side of the street, and converted it into a store and dwelling and moved his goods into it.

Having now secured a home of his own, he concluded it was time to take a partner for life, which was consummated April 19th, 1829, by the Rev'd, Jacob Geiger, to Catharine Shower, daughter of Col. John A. Shower, who resided about one half mile north of Manchester.

He resided in this property 3 years, when he disposed of it, and purchased the brick property in which he at present resides, near the centre of the town, from Mrs. Mary Shultz, widow of John G.

Shultz, for the sum of \$1650. In this house all his children were born, except his eldest son Edmund S., who was born in the tannery property.

In 1850 the Manchester Academy was incorporated by the Legislature of Md. He was appointed one of the Trustees in connection with the Hon. John A. Shower, Rev. Jacob Geiger, Rev. Jacob Albert, George Motter, John Weaver and Peter Sauble, and is now (1883) the only surviving member of the original board of trustees. When yet a young man, he was elected an Elder of the Reformed Church, and was in active service between 30 and 40 years. He was appointed by the Governor of Md., and also elected by the people a number of times, a Justice of the Peace, having served in that capacity with honor and satisfaction to the community for a number of years.

His merchantile business having increased, he erected a large addition to his property in 1848, the brick of which the writer assisted in carrying on to the scaffold. As soon as the addition was completed he moved the store into it. In connection with his merchandising, he was engaged in agricultural pursuits on a farm adjoining the town.

On the 1st day of April 1875, he entered into co-partnership with his eldest son Edmund S. Everhart, to continue the merchantile business, which was dissolved by mutual consent in 1878. Since then he has retired from all active business pur-

suits, having been an active merchant for an uninterrupted period of 52 years.

During the Civil War between the Northern & Southern sections of our country, he was a firm and active Unionist. In 1861 he was nominated by the Republican Party, as a candidate for the Legislature on the ticket with S. R. Waters and W. L. Little, and on Nov. 6th was triumphantly elected by the handsome majority of 1822 in a total vote of 4920. The Rebellion being in progress, and the Union in danger of being dissolved by the spirit of secession, it required men of firmness, clear judgment and undoubted loyalty and patriotism to manage the helm of state. Among the members of the Legislature, were such men as Reverdy Johnson, John S. Berry, John T. Ensor, John A. J. Creswell, William Price, R. Stockett Matthews and John V. L. Findlay. His vote was always Yea, in support of all Resolutions expressing confidence in the wisdom, firmness and integrity of the President and Cabinet and patriotic acts of Congress, & in pledging the resources and credit of the State to the support of the General Government. He introduced and had passed a number of bills of interest and importance. At this session the Hon Reverdy Johnson was elected U. States Senator, for six years.

After a happy married life of 49 years 1 month and 27 days, he met with a sad bereavement, by the death of his wife, who was stricken down with

Acute Gastritis, and died the 10th day of June 1878, aged 70 years, 4 months and 27 days.

She was truly a devoted wife, and kind, affectionate and christian mother, who always endeavored to bring up her children in the fear and nurture of the Lord. She taught them to repeat infant prayers, when they were yet dandled upon her knee. She was reared in the German Reformed Church, of which she was an honored communicant member. Her remains were deposited in the Cemetery in Manchester, beside those of her three daughters who had preceeded her to the spirit land.

“My mother’s voice ! How often creeps
 Its calence on my lonely hoars,
 Like healing on the wings of sleep,
 Or dew on the unconscious flowers.
 I might forget her melting prayer,
 While ’wildering pleasures madly fly ;
 But in the still unbroken air,
 Her gentle tones come stealing by ;
 And years of sin and manhood flee,
 And leave me at my mother’s knee.

I have been out at eventide,
 Beneath the moonlit sky of spring,
 When earth was garnished like a bride,
 And night had on her silver wings ;
 When bursting buds and dewy grass,
 And waters leaping to the light.

And all that makes the pulses pass
 With wilder fleetness, thronged the night;
 When all was beauty, then have I,
 With friends on whom my love is flung,
 Like Myrrh on wings of Araby,
 Gazed up where evening's lamp is hung.

And when the beauteous spirit there,
 Flung over all its golden chain,
 My mother's voice came on the air,
 Like the light dropping of the rain;
 And resting on some silver star,
 The spirit of a bending knee.
 I've poured a deep and fervent prayer
 That our eternity might be,
 To rise in Heaven, like stars by night,
 And tread a living path of light."

There were born unto George and Catharine Everhart, five sons; Edmund Shower, Oliver Troxel, George Philip, Charles Horatio, and William Tell, and six daughters; Mary Elizabeth, Cornelia Amanda, Albenia Estelle, Elizabeth Ann, Laura Catharine and Addie Virginia.

CHAPTER VIII.

EDMUND SHOWER EVERHART.

Edmund S. the eldest child of George & Catharine Everhart, was born May 10th, 1830. He was educated at the Manchester Academy, and received his training as a merchant, in the store of his father. In May 1851, he commenced the merchantile business in Frizzlesburg, Carroll Co., Md. He was married on May 10th 1855 to Hannah E. Frizzle, who was born July 4th, 1832.

He was engaged in merchandising in this place until October, 1856, when he disposed of his stock of goods and removed to White Post, Clarke Co., Va. Here he continued the merchantile business, until October 1858, when he once more disposed of his goods. He returned to Maryland, and spent six months in visiting and settling up business matters. In April 1859 he entered the Wholesale Boot & Shoe House of White & Swope, in Baltimore City, as a salesman, and remained with them six months. In October 1859, he purchased property in New Market, Baltimore Co., Md., where he removed his family, and engaged in merchandising, and also in agricultural pursuits to

some extent, until April 1874, when he disposed of his goods and real estate.

He purchased property in Manchester, Md., to which place he removed, and on the 1st day of April, 1875, was admitted as a partner with his father in the merchantile business, under the firm name of E. S. Everhart & Co., which was dissolved by mutual consent in March 1878.

He disposed of his goods and real estate, and entered the store of his brother Geo. P. Everhart at Rail Road, York Co., Pa., as a salesman, in which capacity he continued until June 1881.

On the 25th day of July following a copartnership under the firm name of Cole & Everhart was formed, for merchandising, in Woodberry, Baltimore Co., Md., where he is residing and conducting a very successful business.

In politics, he votes the Republican ticket and has held the Office of Postmaster many years. He and his wife are both members of the Reformed Church. There were born unto E. S. & H. E. Everhart, two daughters; Mary Anna Kate born August 10 1856, and Laura Albenia Frizzle, born June 29 1859, and was married to Charles K. Sill, September 27 1882; and one son, Nimrod George, born August 13 1867.

CHAPTER IX.

OLIVER TROXEL EVERHART.

Oliver T., second son of George and Catharine Everhart, was born May 18th, 1832. Received his preliminary education at the Manchester Academy, and prepared himself to enter the Sophomore Class of Marshall College, at Mercersburg, Pa., October 23, 1851. He was a member of the Diognothian Literary Society, and delivered the nineteenth Anniversary Address, May 6th 1854.

In April 1853 the Institution was removed to Lancaster, Pa., and consolidated with the old Franklin College, under the name of Franklin & Marshall College, where he graduated with the Salutatory honor of his Class, July 26th, 1854, with the following classmates; Joseph C. Bucher, T. P. Bucher, William H. Groh, John Z. Heiner, Wm. K. Loose, Francis Netcher, John M. Titsel and David W. Wolff; one class-mate, Henry C. Gittings having died in March 1854.

He read medicine under the instruction of Dr. Henry E. Beltz, of Manchester, Md., and matriculated at the University of Maryland, in Baltimore City, in October, 1854, where he graduated March

5th, 1856, with 63 other candidates, receiving the degree of Doctor of Medicine. On the 12th day of October following, he located in Goldsboro, (Etters P. O.) York Co., Pa., and engaged in the Practice of Medicine.

He was married on the 26th of April, 1859, by the Rev. Wm. McFadden, to Sarah, daughter of the Rev. Jacob G. Kister. A daughter, Carrie Kate, was born to them, March 10th, 1860, and died with convulsions on the 31st day of the same month. This bereavement was followed by the death of his amiable and devoted wife, from Typhoid Fever, on the 19th day of September following, aged 23 years, 9 months and 2 days. Thus in the short space of 6 months, a once happy home was made sad and desolate by the hand of an Over-ruling Providence.

“My heart was flooded in such full content,
 I had not even thought to question why,
 Letting all other loving hearts pass by
 Unheeded, it withheld all its consent
 And dear delight of giving, for this one ;
 At whose quick beat it sprang, as if it heard
 A heavenly summons, a God-spoken word,
 It must obey, I would not ask the sun
 Why one ray seeks the jessamine, one the rose,
 Nor fright the oriole from her dainty nest,
 To tell why she loves the elm the best ;
 Nor beg the bee his likings to disclose ;
 Trustful as these my happy heart did rest,
 Unquestioning, unquestioned, since God knows.”

Our once peaceful and glorious country having become distracted by a Civil War, commenced on the 13th day of April, 1861, by the bombardment of Fort Sumpter, which was gallantly defended by Major Anderson and his brave men, and thousands of Union Soldiers, having been wounded, and urgently needing surgical attendance Dr. Everhart, offered his services to his country, which were accepted as will appear from the following correspondence.

Goldsboro, (Etters P. O.) York Co., Pa.
August 12 1862.

Surgeon General of Penn'a.

Dear Sir: Please inform me when and where the next State Medical Board will meet, for the examination of candidates for the post of Assistant Surgeon in Penn'a. Regiments.

Respectfully Yours.

O. T. Everhart

Head Quarters, Pennsylvania Militia.

Surgeon General's Office.

Harrisburg, August 16 1862.

The State Medical Board will meet in the Hall of the House of Representatives at Harrisburg, on Thursday, September 11th, 1862, and

sit one day, for the examination of candidates for the post of Assistant Surgeon in Pennsylvania Regiments.

Candidates will register their names at the Hall at 8 A. M., and none but those present punctually at 9 A. M., will be examined.

Citizens of Pennsylvania of good health and capable of active service in the field, can alone be received.

By order of
A. G. CURTIN, Governor of Penn'a.

HENRY H. SMITH, Surg., Gen., Pa.

Head Quarters, Harrisburg, Sept., 15, 1862.
Dr. O. T. Everhart;

Sir,—I am directed to inform you that you have been reported to the Governor, by the State Board of Surgeons, as worthy of the appointment of Assistant Surgeon. As soon as your services are required you will be notified thereof by the Surgeon General.

By order of the Governor and Com.-in-chief.

A. C. Mullin, Private Secretary.

The following Telegram was received next day.

Harrisburg, Pa., September 16, 1862.

Dr. O. T. Everhart; —Go to Chambersburg & report to James B. Rodgers, Head Quarters Pa. Militia, & telegraph me here. No horse required.

Henry H. Smith, Surgeon General.

In accordance with the foregoing, he reported for duty. The Penn'a., Militia having been disbanded in about a week after his arrival, he contracted with the United States for Hospital duty, as the Hospitals were overflowing with the wounded from the bloody battle of Antietam, fought on the 16th and 17th of September, between Gen. G. B. McClellan of the Union, and Gen. R. E. Lee of the Confederate forces. Several weeks after the battle, Gen. Wade Hampton's Brigade of Gen. J. E. B. Stuart's Division of Confederate Cavalry made a raid through Pennsylvania & Maryland, and on arriving at Chambersburg, they blew up 500,000 rounds of ammunition which was stored there, and burned the Cumberland Valley Rail Road Depot. They also took the Surgeons and soldiers in the Hospitals prisoners, but paroled them before they left. Supplying themselves with a very large quantity of all kinds of merchandise, and capturing as many horses as possible, they took their departure and escaped across the Potomac river into Virginia.

He remained here attending to his arduous duties until the middle of October, when he was ordered to report for duty at Camp Curtin, near Harrisburg, Pa. Whilst actively engaged in his duties, he was attacked with Camp Diarrhea, and Inflammation of the Spinal Meninges, which resulted in complete paralysis of motion, but not of sensation. Whilst prostrated with the above

disease, the following letters were received.

Head Quarters, Penn'a Militia, Hospit., Dep.
Harrisburg January 29, 1863.

Dr. Oliver T. Everhart:

By reporting with this letter, to these Head Quarters, you will be assigned to a Regiment in the field, as an Assistant Surgeon.

Enclosed you will find tickets of transportation, which, should you find it inconvenient to accept the appointment, you will return to this Department.

Very Respectfully,
James King, Surg. Gen'l., Pa.

Goldsboro, Pa., February 2nd, 1863.

Surgeon General:

Dear Sir;—Your letter has just come to hand, and in reply would state, that I would accept the appointment of Assistant Surgeon, but am at present prostrated with sickness.

Yours Respectfully,
O. T. Everhart.

On the above letter was endorsed as follows;

Hospital Depart., Harrisb'rg, Pa., Feb., 4th 1863.

Respectfully returned with the request, that Dr. Everhart, report to this Department, when recovered, the fact; and should there be any

vacancies, we will be pleased to give him an appointment.

Very Respectfully,
James King, Surg. Gen'l, Pa.

Unfortunately for Dr. Everhart, he never fully recovered from his disabilities, and could not return to the Army, for he had intended, if it was possible, to obtain a permanent position in the Regular Army. Instead of reporting for duty as requested, he was confined to his bed for four months, and then for thirteen months was compelled to use a crutch and cane. At the present time he is obliged to use a cane. Having partially recovered from his disability, he again resumed the practice of his profession.

On the 18th day of October 1864, he was married by the Rev. James Charlton, to Anna C. Shelly, daughter of Michael Shelly who resided on a beautiful island (Shelly's) situated in the Susquehanna river opposite of Goldsboro.

In March 1867, on account of ill health arising from Malaria, he disposed of his property and removed to Shrewsbury, Pa. Whilst residing here he was elected an Elder of the Reformed Church and Superintendent of the Sunday School.

After having suffered for six years with disease in his own body, and having consulted a number of eminent Allopathic Physicians and taken pints of nauseous medicines, without obtaining the

desired relief, he was induced to try Homœopathic remedies with very beneficial effects. Being convinced of their virtue and the superiority of that system of medicine, he cast aside his Allopathic prejudices, and studied the principles of Homœopathy, which system of medicine he has practiced with success since 1868.

In January 1869, having recovered from the effects of the malaria, he removed to Marysville, Perry Co., Pa., a village of about 900 inhabitants, where he continued the practice of medicine.

During his residence here, the Reformed Church established a Mission Church, of which he was elected an Elder, and was one of the building committee to erect the church. He was President of the Board of School Directors and Surgeon to the Northern Central Railway.

He resided in this place nearly nine years, and desiring better educational facilities for his children, he located in Hanover, York Co., Pa., on the 7th day of November, 1877. Having succeeded in establishing a fine practice, he disposed of his property at Marysville, and removed his family to Hanover, on the 1st day of April 1878, where they are at present residing.

Politically he has always been a firm and consistent Democrat, but does not aspire to political office.

The issue of O. T. and A. C. Everhart, were two daughters and two sons; Elizabeth Estelle, born

in Goldsboro, Pa., November 19, 1866; Sarah Cornelia, born in Shrewsbury, Pa., November 28 1868, George Shelly, born in Marysville, Perry Co., Pa., October 12th, 1871, and Oliver Shower, born in Marysville, July 7th, 1875.

CHAPTER X.

CORNELIA A. WISSLER, MARY E., AND
ALBENIA E. EVERHART.

Cornelia A. second daughter of George and Catharine Everhart, was born the 4th day of June 1836. Was educated at the Manchester Academy.

She was married to the Rev. Henry Wissler June 14th, 1859. He was a graduate of Franklin and Marshall College, and of the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church. He was Pastor of the Manchester Charge from March 13, 1858, to March, 1861, when he resigned the pastorate, and was engaged in teaching about three years.

He received a "Call" and became Pastor of the Shepherdstown (W. Va.) charge on the 1st of March 1864, and served it for six years. In the spring of 1870, he removed to Lovettsville Va., and continued Pastor of that Charge for two years, but had served it for four years previous, in con-

nection with the Shepherdstown church. In June 1872, he removed to Duncannon, Perry Co., Pa., and became Pastor of that Charge. He served it until October 1st 1875, when he removed to Mechanicstown, Frederick Co., Md., and became Pastor of that Charge, where he is at present residing.

The offspring of this marriage were seven children; Norman Edgar, born June 20th, 1860, and died the following September, from spinal disease; Kate Anna, born September 2nd, 1861; Mary Cornelia, born November 5th, 1863; George Everhart born April 21st, 1865; Harry Walter, born March 5th, 1867; Lizzie Virginia, born April 25th 1871, and died May 21st, 1872, from Small Pox, contracted in passing through Baltimore, on their removal from Va., to Pa.; and Jessie Louisa, born March 25th, 1873.

Mary Elizabeth, eldest daughter of George and Catharine Everhart, was born July 24th, 1834, and died December 15th, 1838, from Hydrocephalus, aged 4 years, 5 months and 21 days.

Albenia Estelle, third daughter of George and Catharine Everhart, was born February 1st 1838, and died August 17th 1852, from Erysipelas, aged 14 years, 6 months and 16 days.

CHAPTER XI.

GEORGE PHILIP EVERHART.

The third son of George & Catharine Everhart was George P., who was born March 11th, 1840, and is the fourth George, in a direct line of succession. He was educated at the Manchester Academy, and received his merchantile training in the store of his father. In March 1864, he commenced merchandising in New Oxford, Adams Co., Pa., but the country being still distracted with the Civil War, and there being danger of having his goods captured by the Confederate Army, he disposed of his stock of goods, in the following September and returned to Manchester, Md. He was a salesman in his father's store, until March 1866, when he purchased a store in Shrewsbury, York Co., Pa., where he conducted the merchantile business until March 1872.

He was married on the 6th, of June 1866, to Mary E., daughter of the Rev. Daniel J. Haner, of Abbottstown, Pa. In March 1872, he removed to Rail Road, York Co., on the line of the Northern Central Railway, and formed a Co-partnership with Christoph Kolter, of Shrewsbury, and Redecker I. Young, of Middletown, Pa., under the

firm name of Geo. P. Everhart & Co., to carry on a general merchantile business. In 1868 he was elected one of the board of Directors of the Shrewsbury Saving Institution, and served in that capacity until 1876, when he was elected President of the Institution, which office he holds at the present time. On the 25th day of October 1878, the firm of Geo. P. Everhart & Co., was dissolved by mutual consent, and since then he has conducted the business successfully himself.

He served as Elder in the Reformed Church at Shrewsbury a number of years.

The offspring of Geo. P. & Mary E. Everhart, were three sons; George Henry, born February 20th, 1867, and is the fifth George, in succession. On the 18th, of March, 1873, another son was born, but only lived a few hours. A third son Daniel Hauer, was born October 20th, 1879, and died from Diphtheritic Croup, January 17, 1882, aged 2 years, 2 months and 27 days.

“Sleep on my babe! thy little bed
Is cold, indeed, and narrow,
Yet calmly there shall rest thy head,
And neither mortal pain nor dread
Shall e’er thy feelings harrow!
Thou may’st no more return to me,
But there’s a time, my dearest,
When I shall lay me down by thee,
And when of all, my babe shall be,
That sleep around, the nearest.”

CHAPTER XII.

CHARLES H., LAURA C., WILLIAM T., ELIZABETH A., & ADDIE V. EVERHART.

Charles Horatio, the fourth son of George and Catharine Everhart, was born June 25th 1845.

In his infancy he was remarkable for his diminutive size. When 9 months old he weighed 7 lbs, and at the age of 12 months he weighed 9 lbs.

He gradually gained in weight and strength, and at the present time (1883) weighs 115 lbs. His height is 5 ft, 7 inches, and his health is good.

He received his education at the Academy and was salesman in his father's store until the spring of 1873, when he commenced the lumber business which he continued until April 1874. He was married October 31st, 1873, to Sarah C., daughter of Samuel Lilly.

In May 1874, he was appointed Ticket Agent of the Bachman Valley Railroad at Melrose, in which capacity he remained 3 years. He was also engaged in the Lumber & Coal business at the same place. In September 1875, he was appointed United States Guager. He conducted the butchering business a number of years in

Manchester. In the Fall of 1882, he commenced clerking for Geo. P. Everhart at Rail Road where he is at present employed. He and his wife are both members of the Reformed Church.

In politics, he has always been a firm and active Republican. They have no issue.

Laura Catharine, fifth daughter of George and Catharine Everhart, was born April 22nd, 1850, and died from Dysentery in June, 1851.

William Tell, the fifth and youngest son, (all of whom are living) of Geo. & Catharine Everhart, was born July 15th, 1852. Received his education at the Academy, and was employed in his father's store until December 6, 1876. He then formed a partnership with E. S. Everhart, for manufacturing cigars. In April 1878, he purchased his partner's interest, and continued the business until April 1878, when he discontinued it.

During the next year and a half he worked on his father's farm. He then clerked in the store of Geo. W. Crum, from Oct'r 1879, to April 1880.

Being desirous of seeing the West, on the 19th of April 1880, he started for and arrived at Leadville, Colorado, on the 25th, of the same month.

His mode of travelling was in marked contrast with that of his father's when he made his tour to the West, 55 years before. He remained here two weeks, but not being able to endure the climate, was taken sick and returned home again.

Then he was a salesman in the store of George P. Everhart until March, 1883. Becoming tired of close confinement he engaged in agricultural pursuits on the homestead. He is a member of the Reformed Church. In politics he is a Republican, but takes no active part in it.

Elizabeth Ann, the fourth daughter of George and Catharine Everhart, was born December 12, 1842. She received her education at the Manchester Academy.

Addie Virginia, the youngest child of George & Catharine Everhart, was born January 4th, 1855.

Like the other children, she also received her education at the Academy. These two sisters are both members of the Reformed Church; and, since the death of their mother, have presided over the household of their father with grace and dignity, and have been a great comfort to him, in the declining years of his life, when he was deprived of the society of her who had been his companion for 49 years.

CHAPTER XIII.

JOHN EVERHART AND FAMILY.

John, the third son of George Jr., & Elizabeth Everhart, was born January 9th, 1802. At the age of 18 years, he commenced learning the trade of a shoemaker with Samuel Meyers. After he completed his trade, he was a distiller for 4 years.

At that period of time a majority of the farmers had their "Still Houses" in which they distilled their surplus apples and peaches, making "Apple Jack" and "Peach Brandy." They also distilled corn & rye into whiskey to some extent.

He was married to Susan Lawyer, who was born June 25th, 1807, and died February 26th, 1868, aged 60 years, 8 months and 1 day. She was a member of the Lutheran Church. Her remains were interred in the Cemetery in Manchester.

"Time is a river deep and wide,
And while along its banks we stray,
We see our loved ones o'er its tide
Sail from our sight, away---away,
Where are they sped---they who return
No more to glad our longing eyes?

They've passed from life's contracted bourne
 To land unseen, unknown, that lies
 Beyond the river.

'Tis hid from view ; but we may guess
 How beautiful that realm must be ---
 For gleamings of its loveliness,
 In visions granted, oft we see.
 The very clouds that o'er it throw
 Their veil, unraised to mortal sight,
 With gold and purple tintings glow,
 Reflected from the glorious light
 Beyond the river.

There are our loved ones in their rest ;
 They've crossed Time's river ; now no more
 They heed the bubbles on its breast,
 Nor feel the storms that sweep its shore
 But there pure love can live, can last ---
 They look for us their home to share ;
 When we in turn away have passed,
 What joyful greetings wait us there,
 Beyond the river."

He resided the greater part of his life in Manchester, Md., and worked steadily and faithfully at his trade as a shoe-maker for 60 years. He is a faithful member of the Reformed Church, in which he has served as Elder and Deacon, for a number of years. He never held any political office, but belonged to the Democratic Party until 1853, when he united with the "Know Nothing" or

Native American Party, which swept the country for a few years, like a whirl-wind. After the extinction of this party, or rather its transformation into the Republican party, he connected himself with it, of which he is still a member. During the Civil War he was a firm Union man.

The issue of this marriage were, one son, Greenbury W. J., and two daughters; Saranda C. E., and Mary F.

Greenbury W. J., only son of John and Susan Everhart, was born May 21st, 1839. He was educated at the Manchester Academy. During his minority he learned the trade of a shoe-maker with his father. Having finished this, he commenced the manufacture of Ladies shoes exclusively for four years, when he discontinued the business. In 1865 he learned Photographing, which business he continued until 1871, when, in connection with it, he taught school, which he is still pursuing. He is also correspondent for the Westminster Sentinel, and has been Secretary for a number of years, of the board of Councilmen of Manchester, Md., of which village he has always been a resident. Politically, he is an active and wide-awake Republican, and was a firm Unionist during the Civil War.

He was married April 29th, 1863, to Mary E., a daughter of George Crouse, and a grand-niece of George Everhart, Jr. He and his wife are both

members of the Reformed Church, of which he served as deacon a number of years, A daughter May C., was born to them September 29 1865.

Saranda C. E., was born August 5th, 1827, and was married September 21st, 1851, to William H. Angel, who died July, 1853, aged 26 years. A daughter, Susan R., was born unto them, December 18th, 1852, and died December 12th 1877, aged 24 years, 11 months and 25 days. Saranda was married the second time to Emanuel Shaffer in 1858. There were born to them one daughter I-da, and three sons, Alexander, Charles & William. She is a member of the Reformed Church, and resides in Manchester.

Mary F., youngest child of John and Susan Everhart, was born March 6th, 1843. She was educated at the Academy. Since the death of her mother in 1868, she has presided over the household of her father with becoming dignity, and has been a comfort to, and companion for him in his old age.

She is a member of the Reformed Church.



CHAPTER XIV.

DAVID EVERHART.

David, the fourth and youngest son of George Jr., and Elizabeth Everhart, was born in the year 1808. He worked on the farm of his father during his minority, and was then a distiller a number of years. In May 1830, he was married to Nancy Hoke, of York, Pa. After his marriage, he resided in Manchester, Md., several years, and kept what was called, in those days, a 'Wagon Tavern'. From there, he removed to York, Pa., where he lived about 20 years. He then removed to Baltimore City, and kept an Hotel (The Hand House) on Paca St., for two years. From this place he moved to the Franklin House, on the corner of Franklin and Howard Sts., where he died June 14, 1867, aged 69 years. His widow survived him 7 years, and died July 30, 1874, aged 64 years.

Both their remains were interred in Greenmount Cemetery.

“Not here the sunlit glory,

Not here the cloudless light,
The perfect finished story.

The day that hath no night,
Our Father knoweth what is best ;
Beyond the flood He keeps our rest.

"Not here the shining raiment,
 All pure from spot or stain,
 For here a weary claimant,
 The heart hath tears and pain,
 And waiteth, waiteth 'till possessed.
 Beyond the flood, of peace and rest.

Nor here our richest treasures,
 Our sweetest cups of life,
 Will taste the deepest pleasures,
 With heavenly rapture rife,
 When home with Christ in love we rest,
 Beyond the flood, forever blest."

The issue of this marriage were three sons, viz; George G., Jacob and William, and four daughters; Louisa, Susan, Elizabeth and Cora.

The author wrote to one of the children for further information in regard to the family, and received the following reply; "I am sorry I cannot at once enter into the spirit of the project. I think with the statistics of our forefathers we might rest content. I am sorry to throw any obstacles in the way."



CHAPTER XV.

SAVILLA KRANTZ AND FAMILY.

Savilla, the fourth daughter of George Jr., & Elizabeth Everhart, was born September 12 1811. She was married May 27th, 1830, to John Krantz, who was a very excellent tailor by trade. He was born September 25th, 1803. They resided in Manchester, until May 10th. 1865, when they removed to Baltimore, Md., where they are at present living. There were born unto them four sons, George Samuel, Edward Tell, Ashton Alexander, and Charles Jacob; and seven daughters, Eve Elizabeth, Sarah Ellen, Julia Susanna, Elenora Jane, Mary Duhurst, Charlotte Cecelia & Frances Weaver, all of whom are, at the present time (1883) living.

George Samuel, eldest son of John and Savilla Krantz, was born September 12th, 1832. During his minority, he apprenticed himself to his uncle George Trump, in Manchester, and learned the trade of a Tinsmith. He mastered his trade and proved himself to be an excellent mechanic.

He was married by the Rev. Henry Wissler to

Maggie Martin. They resided the greater part of their married life in Manchester, but are living at present in Baltimore city. They have two daughters Lizzie and Annie.

Edward Tell, the second son, was born November 11th, 1835. He apprenticed himself to Adam Shower, in Manchester, and learned the trade of an Iron-moulder. He became quite a skilled workman, and continued at his trade a number of years, when he removed to Westminster, where he remained several years, and then removed to Woodberry, Baltimore Co., where he at present resides, working at his trade. He was married by the Rev. John Hoffmier, to Levina Ritter. They have one daughter Mary.

Ashton Alexander, the third son, was born October 5th, 1840. He turned his attention to Literature, and was educated at the Academy, and also attended the Reformed Seminary, at Mercersburg, Pa., about one year. Then adopted teaching as a profession. He taught in the Public Schools for some time, and then taught a Parochial school of the Reformed Church, in Baltimore for several years. At the present time he is engaged in the Commission business. He was married by the Rev. Keling, to Rebecca Martin. They have had four sons; William & John Martin, who are dead, and Charles & Frank, and two daughters Blanche Elizabeth and Annie.

Charles Jacob, the fourth and youngest son, was born January 27th, 1853. He was married by the Rev. Willson, to Martha Granger. He is engaged as a salesman in Baltimore. They have no issue.

Sarah Ellen, the second daughter, was born July 2nd, 1834. She was married to James Roberts, of Va., by Rev. Samuel Philips. The issue of this marriage are, two sons; William & James, and three daughters; Lillie, Norah and Lottie, the last of whom is dead.

Julia Susanna, the third daughter, was born in the year 1838. She was married to Augustus Trump by the Rev. John S. Foulk. They reside in Kearneysville, W. Va., where he is engaged in merchandising. There were born unto them three sons; Harry, Frank and Earnest, the last of whom is dead, and two daughters; Fannie & Savilla.

Elenora Jane, the fourth daughter was born the 30th day of October, 1842. She was united in marriage to Theodore Kopp, by the Rev. John Hoffmier. They resided for a number of years in Manchester, but at the present time are living in Baltimore City, engaged in the Grocery business. They have one daughter, Fannie.

Charlotte Cecelia, the sixth daughter, was born

the 11th day of March, 1848. She was married to William B. Osborn, February 20th, 1879, by Rev. John C. Bowman. They reside in Baltimore City. There are no offspring to this marriage.

Francis Weaver, the seventh and youngest daughter, was born February 21st, 1850. She was married to Eli S. Roberts, by Rev. Thos S. Poulson. Their issue are two sons, Charles and Clarence. They reside in Kearneysville W. Va.

Eve Elizabeth, born April 14th, 1831, and Mary Duhurst, born September 26th, 1845, daughters of John and Savilla Krantz, reside with their parents in Baltimore, Md. The parents and children are members of the Reformed Church.

Of this large family of eleven children, the eldest of whom was born in 1831, all are now (1883) living. Of the twenty two grand-children, four have died.



CHAPTER XVI.

RACHAEL & MARY SHOWER, EVE ELIZABETH CAMPBELL & ELENORA BORNES.

Rachael, the eldest daughter of George Jr., & Elizabeth Everhart, was born September 23, 1803. She intermarried with George Shower, April 26, 1827. They resided for many years on a farm one mile North of Manchester, but at present are living in the town. Their issue were two sons; Edmund Tell & George Adam, and five daughters; Mary E. F., Cecelia J., Rachael A., Jeannetta S., and Emma V. For a further account of this family, the reader is referred to the history of the Shower family, under the title of George Shower and family.

Mary, the second daughter, was born November 7th, 1805. She intermarried with Dr. Jacob Shower, in the year 1830. There were born unto them four sons; John T., Ashton A., Theodore A., & Charles T., and 6 daughters; Elenora, Sarah E., Mary F., Cordelia A., Jeannetta M., and Emily A. For a further history of this family the reader is referred to the history of the Shower family, under the title Hon. Jacob Shower.

Eve Elizabeth, the third daughter of George & Elizabeth Everhart, was born March 29th 1810. She was married March 23rd, 1856, to John Campbell, who died November 24th, 1873. During their married life, they resided in the City of Baltimore, but since the death of her husband, she has been living in Manchester, Md. She has always been a strict & faithful member of the Reformed Church. To this marriage there is no issue.

Elenora, the youngest daughter and child of George Jr., and Elizabeth Everhart, was born May 21st, 1818. Like a dutiful child, she remained with her parents, and was a very great comfort to them in their old age, when only a child can attend to their wants satisfactorily, and especially to her mother, who was blind the last 15 years of her life. She was married December 25th, 1866, to George Burns. They are residing in Manchester. She, like all the other children, was reared in the doctrines of the Reformed Church, of which she is a communicant member. They have no offspring.

CHAPTER XVII.

DAVID EVERHART AND FAMILY.

David, the second son of George Sr., and Eve Elizabeth Everhart, and grandson of Paul, was born in the year 1774, and was married to Catharine Hoves. About the year 1804, he moved to Rockcastle Co., Kentucky, and located on a farm of 250 acres of land, which his father had given to him. A few years afterwards, he was killed in an altercation, by John Cox.

They had two sons; George & David, and four daughters; Elizabeth, Mary, Annie and Rachael, the latter two of whom died single. George was lost at sea, and the last information we were able to obtain of David, was, that he had moved to Green Bay, Brown Co., Wisconsin.

Elizabeth, a daughter of David and Catharine Everhart, was born in January, 1805. Her father having died when she was quite young, she lived with her aunt Rachael Kerlinger, until her majority. She was twice married. The first time to Andrew Deardorf, of Pa., who died three years

after marriage, leaving one daughter Isabella, who went with her mother to Baltimore, where she was married in 1840, to George Hands, and died in 1852, aged 31 years. She had 5 children, three of whom are dead.

Elizabeth was married the second time to Henry Houck. Some time after her marriage, they moved to Baltimore, Md., where she died in July 1881, aged 76 years and 6 months. There were born unto them 9 children, 5 of whom are dead.

Mary, a daughter of David and Catharine Everhart, was married to Captain Ross (a Sea Captain). They lived awhile in York, Pa., and then moved to Baltimore, where she died. They had one son, David J., who was twice married. The second time to Julia M. Weaver, on the 26th day of October, 1858. Two daughters were born unto them; May H., on the 22nd day of July 1859, and Fannie G., on the 23rd day of March 1866. He died about 15 years ago.

CHAPTER XVIII.

MARY MAGDALINE WEAVER & FAMILY.

Mary M. the eldest daughter of George Sc., & Eve Elizabeth Everhart, was born June 10, 1780. She was married to George Weaver, in the year 1798. He was born on an adjoining farm, on the 27th day of January 1776. After their marriage, they lived on the farm of his father Philip Weaver, until after the death of both his parents, the father having died in 1821, and the mother in 1822.

About the year 1826, he moved to Reisterstown, and kept the old "Fisher Tavern," for some time, and then moved to the "Ducker Tavern," at the junction of the two turnpikes. From here he moved to the "Round House," near Owens' mills, then to the "Seven Mile" house, (Beems Stand) & then to Baltimore. From here he removed to Westminster, and thence to Manchester, where he ended his earthly pilgrimage on the 15th day of January 1852, aged 75 years, 11 months and 19 days. His companion, with whom he had lived 52 years, preceeded him to the spirit land on the 23rd day of March 1850, aged 69 years, 9 mo's

and 13 days. Their remains were interred in the Cemetery in Manchester, Md.

“Answer me, burning stars of night !

Where hath the spirit gone,
That past the reach of human sight.

E’en as a breeze, hath flown ?
And the stars answered me---“We roll
In light and power on high ;
But of the never-dying soul,
Ask things that can not die !”

Speak, then, thou voice of God within !

Thou of the deep, low tone,
Answer me ! through life’s restless din.
Where hath the spirit flown ?
And the voice answered---“Be thou still !
Enough to know is given ;
Clouds, winds, and stars their task fulfill---
THINE IS TO TRUST IN HEAVEN !”

The offspring of George and Mary M. Weaver were six sons ; George E., Daniel, William, David, Philip E., and Greenbury, and also six daughters ; Elizabeth, Lydia, Rachael, Sarah, Mary E., and Rebecca A. Of this large family of children, all are dead, except one son, Philip E.

George E., the eldest child of George and Mary M. Weaver, was born April 13th 1799- He was never married, and died June 9th, 1846, aged 47 years, 1 month and 26 days.

Daniel Weaver, a son of George & Mary M., was born the 10th day of December 1807. He was married June 17, 1832, to Catharine E. Owings, who was born May 18th, 1812, and died July 5th, 1847. They had four sons; James Thomas, who died in his 3rd month, George Philip, who died in his 9th month, Daniel Owings and William David, and six daughters; Sarah Rebecca, who died in her 2nd month, Jane Virginia, who died in her 5th month, Fortvain Olivia, who died in her 4th month, Mary Elizabeth, who died in her 15th year, Julia Malvina and Iowa.

He was married the second time on the 31st of August, 1848, to Elizabeth Skipper, who was born May 27th, 1827. Their offspring were two sons; Thomas Carroll and Charles Fillmore, and one daughter Elmira Cornelia.

He died December 2nd 1854, aged 46 years 11 months and 22 days.

Daniel Owings Weaver, a son of Daniel and Catharine E., was born November 22, 1836. He was married December 25, 1865, to Mary Brousius and died Oct., 5 1879, aged 42 years, 10 months and 13 days. They had 7 children, of whom 5 are living, Eugene, Bruce, Jacob, Ovir and Rasco.

William David Weaver, a son of Daniel & Catharine E., was born July 8 1846. He was married November 26 1872, to Emma Cole, who was born

June 19, 1848. Their offspring are two children, Lulu Lamar, born August 29, 1873, and died September 19, 1874, and William David born October 22, 1875, and died July 24, 1876.

Julia Malvina Weaver, a daughter of Daniel & Catharine E., was born October 11, 1840. She was twice married. The first time to David J. Ross, on the 26th day of October 1858. Two children were born unto them, May H., on July 22, 1859 & Fannie G., on March 23, 1866. The second marriage was to Henry Motter, Esq., on the 5th day of July 1870. Their issue were two sons, George S., born June 7, 1871, and Joseph M., born August 28th, 1874.

Iowa Weaver, a daughter of Daniel & Catharine E., was born September 17, 1843, & was married to Cornelius Miller, September 1st, 1874.

Philip E. Weaver, a son of George & Mary M., was born January 25, 1820. In his 17th year, he commenced to learn the trade of a Tanner, with George Crouse, in York Co., Pa. He was married May 27th, 1845, to Belinda daughter of Joshua Lamnott, of Manheim Twp., York Co., Pa., by the Rev. Jacob Geigar. He worked at his trade until 1853, when he moved to Carroll Co., Md., near Kroh's Mill, and engaged in farming, until 1856, when he sold his property, and in the spring of 1857 he moved to Saltillo, Huntingdon Co., Pa. He

resided here until 1868, when he sold his property and bought one in Dublin Twp., Fulton Co., Pa. where he resided 13 years. In the Spring of 1881, he bought a Mill property in Sultillo, where he is now residing, and in connection with his son Henry T., is engaged in manufacturing flour. There were born unto them, three daughters; Mary Magdaline, Elizabeth and Nancy, and one son, Henry Theodore.

Mary Magdaline, was born February 17, 1846, and was married to Austin Green (Tanner) of Cassville, Pa., February 5, 1867. They have 3 sons; Edward Franklin, born December 23, 1867, James Henry, born June 9, 1871, and Milton Orvill, born May 7, 1873, and one daughter, Nannie Elizabeth, born June 27, 1877.

Elizabeth, the second daughter was born July 23 1847, and was married Nov., 17, 1869, to J. C. Brewster, of Meadow Gap, Pa. They have 2 sons Harry L., born March 13, 1871, & John F. (a Twin) Dec., 26, 1877, & 3 daughters. Nannie C., Feb., 14, 1873, Mary, Dec., 26, 1877, & Alice E., Augt. 28, '80.

Henry Theodore, the only son, was born October 1st, 1856, and was united in marriage, October 27, 1882, to Myrtie, daughter of George Cahill, of Huntingdon Co., Pa.

Elizabeth Weaver, the eldest daughter of Geo. and Mary M., was born November 17, 1800. She was married to George Crouse, June 14, 1827, &

died April 26, 1877, in Reading, Pa., but her remains were interred in the Cemetery, in Manchester, Md. They had 4 sons; Lewis O., who died young, Edwin H., who married Cornelia Ensor, but there are no offspring; George A., who married Julia Riser, and had two children, one of whom is dead; Calvin, who died young, and four daughters; Amanda J., who married Walter Hays, has several children, Mary E., married to G. W. J. Everhart, and has one daughter; Iowa Rebecca, who died young, and Ahretta Y., married to Luther Morelock, had one child.

Sarah Weaver, a daughter of George & Mary M., was born May 19, 1810. She was married in 1829, to Jacob Frankforter, and died December 10, 1867. The offspring of this marriage were 10 children - Mary E.; Alfred; Rachael, married to G. W. Everhart, had 7 children; Julia M.; Henry W. Sarah V.; Jeannetta Rix, married to F. A. Dieffenbach, April 14, 1873, and has 3 sons, Albert, Emil and Weaver; Catharine Elizabeth, married to Charles Brillhart, and has 4 children, Sarah Catharine, Dora, Bessie and Charles Robert; Sarah Rebecca; and Jacob Clay, who married Mary Amend October 26, 1882.

Mary M. Weaver, a daughter of George and Mary M., was born June 6, 1812. She was married to Elias Myerly, August 10, 1841, and died the

2nd day of May 1853. They had 3 sons; William, George and David; and one daughter, Mary.

Rebecca A. Weaver, the youngest daughter of George & Mary M., was born June 14, 1817. She was united in marriage to Henry Motter, Esq., April 25, 1844, and died May 2, 1869. There were born unto them, one daughter; Cecelia V., and 5 sons; George; Parke B., married to Mary Woodward, and has one child; Charles W.; Henry L.; and Jacob F., married to Laura Hartzel. They have two children, William T. E., and Laura.

RACHAEL KERLINGER.

Rachael, the second daughter of George Sr., & Eve Elizabeth Everhart, was born June 5, 1782, and was married to Conrad Kerlinger. The offspring were two daughters and one son, but she survived them all, and died June 6, 1844, aged 63 years. Her husband, having died the 6th, of April previous, aged 75 years, 8 months and 13 days. This branch of the Everhart family is entirely extinct.



CHAPTER XIX.

ELIZABETH MYERS AND FAMILY.

Elizabeth, the third daughter of George Sr., & Eve Elizabeth Everhart, and grand-daughter of Paul, was born October 14, 1788, and was married May 27, 1806, to Samuel Myers, who was born August 5, 1782. They resided on a large farm in the vicinity of Hampstead, Carroll Co., Md., and were engaged in agricultural pursuits. Having lived together in the holy bonds of wedlock 49 years, 9 months & 19 days, the husband departed this life March 16, 1856, aged 73 years, 7 months and 11 days. The wife survived the husband 16 years, and having lived beyond the allotted four-score years, she died the 5th day of September, 1872, aged 83 years, 10 months and 21 days.

“So near the night! How fast the hours are flying.

It seems but now, the day was at its noon,

So bright the sky, with sunsets glorious gilding.

It scarce can be the day will close so soon.

But see! the curtain of the night enfolds us,

And shadows, dim the near and distant views;

A hush is stealing o’er the restless spirit,

A peace the weary one cannot refuse.”

“So after life’s brief day, its cares and anguish,
 Comes golden sunset, picturing scenes afar.
 Making the eventide all bright with promise
 Of mansions lighted not by sun or star.

And then the Christian leaning on the Saviour,
 Welcomes the changing of the light to shade,
 And waits the breaking of the day eternal,
 Whose glories never into evening fade.”

There were born unto Samuel and Elizabeth Myers three sons; George, Daniel and Johnsey E., & eight daughters; Mary, Sarah, Rachael, Elizabeth E., Sophia V., Lonisa J., Martha and Harriet.

The descendents to the present time (1883) numbers 11 children, 75 grand-children, 120 great-grand children, 25 of whom are dead, & 20 great-great-grand children.

George, the eldest son and child of Samuel and Elizabeth Myers, was married to Achia Anna Brown. He is dead. They had 9 children of whom, only three are living, viz; George Ed., married to Violet Harris; Mary, and Clementine M., who married George Stultze. The following are dead, Isabella, Sarah J., Elias A., Rachael A. Hanson and an infant not named.

Mary, the second child of S. & E. Myers, was married to Martico Merriman. There were nine children, three of whom only are living, namely; Sarah E.L., married to James Brooks; Charles

W., married to Irene Perkey; and Iowa V., married to William T. Eggers. The following are dead, Augusta, Matthew B., Lewis O., Elizabeth A. & . Both parents are dead.

Sarah, the third child of S. & E. Myers, was married to Frederick J Colhouer. She is dead.

There were 9 children, 4 of whom are living, Rachael A., married to Noah Gaylord; Elizabeth A., married to Joseph Thomas; Sarah E., married to Samuel Perl; and Albert L., married to Jennie Stevens. The following are dead, George W. Frederick A., Samuel R., Alexandria & John W.

Daniel, the fourth child of S. & E. Myers, was married to Martha Copp. He is dead. They had four offspring, one of whom is living, Mary A. E. married to Charles Hoffman. The dead are Joseph T.; Daniel A., and Martha E.

Rachael, the fifth child of S. & E. Myers, was married to Abraham Miller. Their issue were 6 children, Frances V., married to Thomas Hardesty; Charles married to Carrie Myers; Henry C., Winfield S., Alonza P., and Mary P.

Elizabeth E., the sixth child of S. & E. Myers, was married to Stephen Lloyd. They reside on a farm, about 2 miles West of Reisterstown. Six children were born unto them, viz; J. S. Frances, married to S. O. Philips, and is residing in Tallman Michigan. He is engaged in the lumber trade. Gheuetter M., married to Walter F. Crowson.

He resides at Ivy Paper Mills, Md., engaged in the manufacture of paper. They had one child which is dead. Stephen M., who married Mary C. Yox, is an Engineer at the Ivy Paper Mills. They had three children, one of whom is dead. Sophia L., married John Rau Jr., who is dead, she and one child surviving him. Alice E., who is dead, and H. Bushey, who is residing at the homestead.

Sophia V., the seventh child of S. & E. Myers, was married to Samuel Myers. To these parents six children were born, four of whom are living; Kinza B., married to Mary C. Rawlins; John S., married to Jennie Williams; Elizabeth J., and Daniel W. Two are dead, Esther V., & George W.

Harriet, the eighth child, is unmarried.

Louisa J., the ninth child of S. & E. Myers, was married to John Marsh. Their household was enlivened with 12 children, of whom 7 are living.

Floranzer V., married to Harry Sander; Henrietta E., married to John McCauley; Rosea A., married to Charles Hood; Alonza P., married to Elima A. Rafeelock.; Estella married to Edward Lawton. William and Minnie F. The following are dead, Missouri, who was married to George W. Brown; Maggie, Louisa, Minerva, and George A.

Johnzey E., the tenth child of S. & E. Myers, was married to Susan C. Wolf. They had five children; Ida W., and Hester F., who are living, and Theodore W., Laura V., & Mary E. are dead.

Martha A., the eleventh and youngest child of Samuel & Elizabeth Myers, was married to Amos Ebaugh. She is dead. Their issue were 9 sons and daughters, of whom 6 are living; Emma J., Aletha V., Alouza A., Wilbert L., Henry O., and Eugene R. The following are dead, Orlando, Martha A., and Ira E.

CHAPTER XX.

GERTRUDE MATHIAS & MARY CROUSE.

Gertrude, a daughter of Paul Everhart, and sister of George Everhart, Sr., was born November, 27, 1742. She was married to Joseph Mathias, who was born October 11, 1733. She died September 8, 1819, aged 76 years, 9 months & 16 days, having survived her husband 8 years: he having died February 19, 1811, aged 77 years, 4 months and 8 days. Their offspring were 3 sons; John George, Henry, and Joseph, and two daughters; Opelona, who was married to David Fryfogle, and Eve, who remained single.

Joseph was married to a Miss Fisher, and had five sons, David who was married to Miss Zepp, Benjamin, Joseph, John, and Reuben; and two

daughters, Leah and Rachael.

Henry was married to Anna Mary Borns, to whom there were born five children.

John George, a son of Gertrude & Joseph Matthias, was married to _____ and had 4 sons, David, George, Jacob, and John; and four daughters, Elizabeth, Catharine, Sarah, and Rachael, who was never married.

Elizabeth was married to Henry Baumgardner, and was the mother of four children.

Catharine was married to Peter Bryan; they had three children.

Sarah was married to John Lawyer; eight children graced their household.

David was married to Peggy Painter; they had one daughter, Sarah who was married to John Frock. They had no issue, and this branch of the family is extinct.

George was married to Catharine Borns; they had one child.

Jacob was married to Catharine Zepp; five children were born unto them.

John was married to Polly Zepp; they had one son Perry, and one daughter Eliza, who was married to Emanuel Spangler, and had 8 children.

Perry was married to Sarah Ann Shaffer. The offspring are 5 sons; John S., William N., Cornelius, Josiah A., and George A.; and four daughters

Mary Ann, who died in infancy, Rebecca, Amanda E., and Sarah E.

John S., married Mary Wentz, & has 8 children.

William N., married to Eliza Lohr has 2 children.

Cornelius married Mary Peterman, and has 3 children, 2 of whom are dead.

Josiah A., married to Mandilla Snyder, has 3 children.

George A., married to Belinda Brown has 1 child.

Rebecca married Henry Wentz. They had 8 children, one of whom is dead.

Amanda E., married Lewis Artzberger. They had two children, both of whom are dead.

Sarah A., married David Geeting, and has one child.

MARY CROUSE.

Mary, a daughter of Paul Everhart, and sister of George Sr., was married to Mr. Crouse. They had three sons; David, George and Jacob; and one daughter Elizabeth. David remained single.

George was married to Miss Zepp. There were born unto them 3 sons; David, John and George; and 5 daughters; Rachael, Catharine, Eliza, Mary Ann, and Sophia. David was married to a Miss Witmyer, and had 8 children. John was married to Eliza Trump and has a number of children.

George was married to Catharine Trump, and their offspring are two children.

Eliza was married to John Trump, and had 8 children, 3 of whom are dead. Here we have the circumstance of 2 brothers and a sister of one family, marrying 2 sisters and a brother of another family. This is the second time, a similar occurrence happened among Paul Everhart's posterity.

Catharine was married to James Hull. They had 8 children, 4 of whom are dead.

Mary Ann married Hezekiah Crowl. Their issue were 8 children, of whom 4 have died.

Sophia married John Allbach, but has no issue.

Rachael was married to David Martin. Six sons and two daughters composed their household viz; Elizabeth Ann, William, and George, who are all dead; John F., married to Louisa Keller, had one child which is dead; Edward L., went to Michigan and married a lady from Canada, and has 2 children; David F., married to Mary Nunemacher, has 7 children; Sarah married to Elias Rabenstine, has 5 children; and Jacob D., the youngest child is married to Mary Swartz.

Jacob Crouse, a grandson of Paul Everhart, went to Baltimore, was married but had no issue.

Elizabeth Crouse a grand-daughter of Paul Everhart, married Jacob Shafer, & left a large progeny.



CHAPTER XXI.

CONCLUSION.

In concluding the history of the Everhart family and the various branches, we append a few statistics, which may be interesting to the reader.

From 1742 to 1883, a period of 141 years, the descendants of Paulus Eberhardt, have numbered 740, which number we have been able to trace definitely. There are some branches of the family, in which we found it impossible to obtain the whole number of descendants, but have good reason to believe that they would have swelled the total number to 1000 persons.

This is in marked contrast to the Shower family in which, the descendants of John Schauer, during a period of 133 years, have only numbered about 275 persons, as far as we have been able to ascertain, but the number would also have been increased, if we could have traced them fully.

In the Shower family, at the present time (1883) there are only 9 living male persons, bearing the name of Shower.

The descendants of George Everhart Jr a grandson of Paul, number 9 children, 57 grand children,

100 great-grand children, & 13 great-great-grand children.

The descendants of Mary M. Weaver, a granddaughter of Paul Everhart, and sister of Geo. Jr., number 12 children, 61 grand children, 51 great-grand children, and 4 great-great grand child, (as far as we could ascertain).

The descendants, of Elizabeth Myers, a granddaughter of Paul Everhart, and sister of Geo. Jr., number 11 children, 75 grand children, 120 great-grand children, and 20 great-great-grand child'n.

Of the descendants bearing the name of Everhart, 10 are known to have lived beyond the 75th year. The oldest living descendant is George Everhart, of Geo. Jr., who is in his 84th year.

DIED. — At Manchester, Md., April 17, 1885, George Everhart, aged 85 years, 2 months and 17 days. Mr. Everhart was not only a man of great age, having passed the four-score years which are rarely allotted to men, but he was a man of ripe Christian experience. He was a member of the Reformed church at Manchester during his long life, having been baptized in infancy, and in his youth received into full communion by confirmation. He always took a profound interest in the church and everything that pertained to her welfare. He often accompanied his pastor to meetings of Classis and Synod, and was well acquainted with the ministers of the church years ago. He was a constant reader of the MESSENGER from the first issue of the paper until his death, & hence was well informed in regard to all matters pertaining to the history of the church.

Retaining in undiminished power his faculties of mind up to a few weeks before his death, his conversation was always interesting. During late years he took little interest in secular affairs but his interest in spiritual things increased. He spent much of his time in reading, and especially in the study of the Bible. The future life engaged his mind most profoundly, and on this subject he was ever ready to converse, and had many questions to ask, some of which were too difficult to be answered in this life; but they never disturbed his faith. During the last year of his life, he sometimes suffered much physical pain which he bore with Christian resignation. For him to die was gain. His mortal remains were interred in the Reformed cemetery in Manchester, April 19, in the presence of a large number of old friends and neighbors, to rest until the final resurrection.

Rev. Wm. Rupp.



HISTORY OF THE SHOWER FAMILY.

CHAPTER I.

JOHN SCHAUER.

"Proud land ! I love thy hills and plains.
I love the heavens that circle thee ;
In every breeze I hear the strains
Of a proud people, brave and free.
Thou child of time, for thee arise
The prayers of all the good and wise ;
And distant nations, crushed beneath
Oppression's pall of living death,
Are looking to the peaceful homes
Where stern oppression never comes.
Thou art for homeless men a home.
Thine is a mission that shall be
As lasting as eternity ;
The starry flag shall proudly wave
'Till every despot finds a grave."

In Reinisch Bavaria, one of the States of Germany, romantically situated among the dense forests along the river Erbach, near its junction with

the Serre, is Zweibrucken. (The French, Deux-Ponts, and Roman, Bepontium). It received its name from the two bridges, which there cross the Erbach. It was first mentioned in history in 1197, and was then in possession of Counts of Deux Pont, but finally came into possession of Bavaria.

The population in 1875 was 9,349. The manufacture of woolen and cotton cloth, hardware and leather is carried on extensively.

In this ancient and picturesque town, on the 25th of July 1730, JOHN SCHAUER, (now written Shower,) was born, from whom were descended the "Shower Family." There is no record of his family, but he was apprenticed, at an early age, to a blacksmith in his native town.

Soon after he served his apprenticeship, being desirous of seeing the "Western World," he emigrated to North America, and landed at Philadelphia, in the year 1750, being in his twentieth year. The City at that time contained about 15,000 inhabitants. Having no money to pay his passage across the Atlantic Ocean, he came as a redemptioner, and as was customary then in such cases, was bound for his fare to the service of a gentleman near Germantown, Pa. His employer carried on blacksmithing extensively, and made John his foreman, as he was a skilled workman.

After serving a part of his time, and purchasing the balance of it, he started for, and arrived in the vicinity of the present town of Manchester,

Carroll Co., Md., (Manchester was not then in existence.) on the 19th day of April 1758.

He preempted 800 acres of land, which was covered with the primeval forest, through which the Indian still roamed. One family of them, named Mackanappy, lived on friendly terms with the Shower family, the children of the two families often playing together, but a crime having been committed by some of the indians, they suddenly disappeared, and no one ever knew where they made their subsequent home.

Soon after his arrival, John Shower built a two-story log dwelling house, and some years afterwards erected a frame addition and weatherboarded the whole house, which buildings are now ('83) still standing. The dwelling was beautifully located on a gentle elevation, near a very excellent Spring of never-failing water. He erected a log Swiss barn to the right of the house, but this was burned in 1809. He also built a large blacksmith shop to the left of the dwelling, in which he labored at his trade. At that period of time blacksmiths were scarce, so that some of his customers came a distance of 15 miles to have their smithing done. This building was still standing in the writer's boyhood days but has disappeared under the ravages of time. He planted two pear trees near the dwelling, one of which was blown down a few years ago, but the other is standing yet and bears fruit. It is now about 122 years old.

On the 12th day of September 1759, John Schauer was naturalized as a subject to bear allegiaure to King George II.

He was married twice; first to a Miss Kelbach, by whom he had a son and daughter. The former, although married, left no issue. The daughter was also married and had two sons and two daughters, but one son and one daughter died single. The other son and daughter were married and had several children, but they are all dead, consequently leaving that branch of the family entirely extinct. His second marriage took place in 1764, with Anna Mary Born who was born at Salem, New Jersey, in the year 1739, and died on the 10th day of August, 1833, at the ripe old age of 94 years, having survived her husband upwards of 23 years.

He was commissioned as a Captain of the militia by his sovereign George II, but the date of his commission is unknown. On the breaking out of the Rebellion in 1775, his company was called into Colonial Service, and was attached to the Regiment commanded by Col. Decker. After the Revolutionary war, he held many civil offices of trust with distinction.

He was a strict member of the German Reformed Church, and took a very active part in organizing the congregation, and building the Church at Manchester, Md.

Politically, he was a rigid & active Jeffersonian

Democratic Republican, which principles are carried out by his descendants to the present time.

He resided upon his plantation, working at his trade and cultivating the soil, until his death, which occurred on the 10th day of April 1810, by Apoplexy, aged 79 years, 8 months and 15 days.

The issue of his marriage with Anna Mary Born, were three sons, John Adam, Jacob and Peter, the latter two of whom died in early life. There were also two daughters, Anna Mary and Elizabeth, the former of whom was married to John Maus, then of York, now of Adams Co., Pa. She had five sons and one daughter.

Elizabeth was married to John Sellers, and resided on a farm adjoining the Homestead. She had one son John married to Catharine Weaver; and three daughters, Mary married to Peter Gettier; Elizabeth married to John Shaffer; and Catharine married to Henry Krantz. These children are all dead, but have left a numerous progeny.

It is a rather singular coincidence, that John Schauer and Paulus Eberhardt, although perfect strangers to one another, and whose families, in after years became so very intimately connected by marriage relations, both landed at Philadelphia 6 years apart, both lived at Germantown 8 years, both removed to the vicinity of Manchester, Md., just 6 years apart, both lived and died upon the lands on which they first settled.

CHAPTER II.

COL. JOHN ADAM SHOWER.

The eldest son of John Shower, viz: John Adam, (designated in private and officially as Adam) was born on the 2nd day of January 1774, at the Homestead, a half mile north of Manchester, Md., where he resided during his life time.

He learned the trade of a blacksmith with his father, but after his father's death, he did not pay much attention to the business, as he was extensively engaged in agricultural pursuits among which was the cultivation of tobacco on quite a large scale. He was married on the 26th day of April 1796, to Anna Elizabeth Troxel, who was born near Emmittsburg, Frederick Co., Md., on the 7th day of April 1773, and departed this life the 13th day of February 1854, aged 80 years, 10 mos., and 6 days, having survived her husband 21 years.

It is a remarkable fact, that she never wore a pair of spectacles, as her eyesight never failed her. She was a faithful and devoted member of the German Reformed Church. Her remains were deposited in the Cemetery, in Manchester beside those of her husband.

"Our barks are drifting onward,
 All noiselessly they glide
 Upon Time's restless ocean,
 Out on the rushing tide.
 The blue waves dash around us,
 And loud the billows roar,
 But rain-bows wreath with beauty
 The far-off distant shore.

There friends are waiting for us,
 The loved, the tried, the true ;
 But Time's frail misty curtain
 Now hides them from our view.
 They've reached the quiet harbor,
 Not lost, but gone before ;
 And now they wait to greet us
 Upon the distant shore.

In 1811 Adam Shower was commissioned Captain of the 2nd Company, 15th Regiment & 14th Brigade, Maryland Militia. Early in July, 1814 there was a requisition made on this Regiment for one Company of men to go to the defence of Baltimore, against the British under Gener'l Ross. He was assigned to the command of this company and they were mustered into service on the 26th day of July, of the above year, and were attached to the 15th Regiment commanded by Col. Shultz, who, at one time, was an officer in the Prussian service. This company was upwards of 4 months in continuous service, before its discharge.

During the period of its service, the company

participated in that unfortunate affair the Battle of Bladensburg. But in General Orders, it was highly complimented for its "gallant conduct even when thus almost entirely deserted," and on its return to the City of Baltimore, some of the citizens tendered them a military uniform, as a reward for their gallant conduct.

On account of the confidence reposed in the company, it was detached by the commanding Officer, from its Regiment, and stationed to the support of the two heaviest batteries in the entrenchments at Baltimore.

Sometime after the war, he was promoted to Major of the 15th Regiment, and soon after, being the Senior officer of the Regiment, was commissioned as its Colonel.

Peace having again been restored; he returned to private life. The log barn, which was destroyed by fire in 1809, was replaced with a bank barn to the left of the dwelling, but this was also consumed by fire some years after. Another barn was erected which is still standing.

In October 1816, he was first elected to the Legislature of Maryland, from Baltimore Co., as a Democrat, which he continued to be consistently until his death. Subsequently he was elected six times to the same office, the last time in 1826, after which he retired from politics, and lived a private life on his estate near Manchester, Md.

It was during his last term in the Legislature,

that he introduced and had passed a bill granting a Charter for the Manchester Academy, of which he was a Trustee. This was the second Institution established in Baltimore Co., and received an appropriation of \$300, per annum.

Although engaged in political matters during a period of about ten years, he did not neglect any duties which pertained to the management of his large estate. By the continued crops of grain and tobacco raised, from year to year, the soil become exhausted, and it was absolutely necessary to apply some kind of fertilizer, to make it again productive. Upon investigating the matter he found that Lime was best adapted for that purpose, the application of which to the land increased its productiveness. He was the first person in that country, who used lime as a fertilizer, which occurred in 1818. He was a man of energy & enterprise, and advocated whatever was conducive to the best interest of the community in which he lived. He had the respect and confidence of his fellow men, as a man of integrity & business qualifications, for an evidence of which, he was elected to the Legislature seven times.

His death occurred on the 27th day of August 1833, and was caused by a malignant abscess of the perineum. He was 59 years, 7 months and 25 days old. His remains and all the other deceased members of the Shower family are interred in the Cemetery connected with the Reformed Church in Man-

chester, of which church he was a member.

There were born unto John Adam and Anna Elizabeth Shower, seven children, the eldest two of whom, a son John, and a daughter Mary, died in infancy from putrid sore-throat. Besides these two children, there were three sons, Jacob, George and Adam, and two daughters, Catharine & Elizabeth. It is somewhat of a remarkable fact, that from the time of John Shower's marriage to this time (1883) a period of about 132 years, there are only 9 males living, bearing the name of Shower.

CHAPTER III.

HON. JACOB SHOWER.

Jacob, a son of John Adam & Anna Elizabeth Shower, was born February 22nd, 1803, at the homestead. In 1814, when in his 12th year, he accompanied his father as "Drummer" of his company, (his Drummer having been promoted to Drum-major,) when he entered the military service, and marched to the defence of Baltimore against the British, but he was not mustered in, on account of his youth. Having been, thus early, brought in contact with the soldier's life, it seemed

that the military spirit was instilled into him from his youth up, for in after years he was an enthusiast in Military Matters, having been for many years Captain of an Infantry Company in Manchester. His command was well drilled, and nothing appeared to afford him more genuine pleasure, than to drill his men in the tactics of a soldier.

Aside from the martial spirit which he displayed, his predilections were for Literature, and as an illustration of this, we will state a rather amusing incident, told to the writer, by an old colored servant, named, "Joe Brown." Jacob's father having a large estate, and believing that a part of man's education was a thorough training in Manual Labor, sent Jacob, one day, into the field to plough. After ploughing awhile, and in the meantime meditating upon the difference between "Labor and Literature," he concluded to cast his lot with the latter, and as a natural consequence of his reasoning, he drove his team against a stump and broke the plough. Having freed himself of the instrument which wearied the body, he laid down in a fence-corner, with his feet higher than his head, and gratified the inclination of his mind by reading. He received a liberal education, and in July 1821, commenced reading medicine under the instruction of Dr. Ashton Alexander, in the City of Baltimore. He matriculated at the University of Maryland, where he graduated in Mar., 1825. He located in Manchester, then, Baltimore

(now Carroll) Co., Md., where he resided & practiced his profession, until his death, with the exception of the intervals, as will appear in the following sketch.

In 1830, he was married to Mary Everhart, who was born November 7th, 1805.

He was elected a member of the Maryland Legislature, in October 1834, from Baltimore Co., as a Democrat, and was reelected in 1836. During this session of the Legislature, he held the anomalous position of having been elected by the constituency of one county, and was the representative of another, from the fact, that, at that session, Carroll Co., was formed from parts of Frederick and Baltimore Counties, he at the time residing in the new county of Carroll. In 1837, 1838 and 1840, he was elected from Carroll Co., a member of the Maryland Legislature. In January 1842, he was appointed by Gov. Francis Thomas, Clerk of the Court of Carroll Co., which position he held for 8 years; a part of which time his family lived in Westminster. He was elected a delegate from Carroll co., in 1851, to the State convention to reform the Constitution of the State.

In 1853, he was nominated by the Democratic Convention, a Candidate, from the counties of Baltimore, Carroll, Harford, Cecil and Kent, to the Congress of the United States, and was elected by a majority of 937. In 1855, he was again nominated a candidate for Congress & although receiving

a largely increased vote over his former vote, he was defeated by a large majority, from the fact that "Know-nothingism," was at its height. In 1867 he was again nominated a candidate for delegate to the state constitutional reform convention, but declined though he had no opposition to encounter. From this period he withdrew from any active participation in political matters, but maintained his firm Democratic principles until his death. After his retirement from politics, he continued the practice of his profession, and was also engaged in agricultural pursuits.

Dr. Snower was one of the best known democratic politicians in Maryland. He was a member of the first Andrew Jackson Club in the State which was formed at the Washington Hotel in Baltimore, in the year 1824; and which adopted the die for the figure head, "Jackson and Liberty." His, was one of the most familiar faces in all the State democratic conventions, from the time of his first connection with politics, to his final withdrawal from the same. He was a man of great integrity of character, and highly esteemed wherever known.

As a politician he was a link between the past and present, having been for nearly 50 years a man of prominence and influence. Being of a genial disposition, his society was courted by the best men of the country. He saw the rise of the Democratic Party to the height of its glory, participated in its many triumphs, then saw its over-

throw, and again beheld it once more triumphant.

After a lingering illness from general dropsy, he died on the 25th day of May 1879, aged, 76 years, 3 months and 3 days.

There were born unto Jacob & Mary Shower, four sons, Ashton Alexander, John Troxel, Theodore Adam, and Charles Troxel; and six daughters, Elenora, Sarah E., Mary F., Cordelia A., Jeannetta M., and Emily Alretta.

Ashton Alexander, the eldest son, was born January 2nd, 1831, died September 2nd, 1832.

John Troxel, the second son, was born January 16th, 1832, and died January 2nd, 1848, aged 15 years, 11 months and 16 days. He was truly a dutiful child, and genial young man, with a very bright intellect, and bid fair to become a distinguished man, but was cut down in the flower of his youth, filling his doting parents' hearts with sadness. His father had intended to educate him at West Point, for a military life.

Emily Alretta, the fifth daughter, was born on the 29th of August, 1847, and died Oct., 9 1848.

Jeannetta Miranda, the fourth daughter, was born February 29th, 1843, and died November 11, 1848. Thus within the short period of 11 months this truly distressed and afflicted family, lost three children by death.

Charles Troxel, the youngest son, was born Nov., 30th, 1849, and died June 19th, 1851.

Elenora, the eldest daughter, was born in April 1836. Having suffered a number of years with a spinal affection, which she bore with christian fortitude, she too was called to "that bourne from which no traveler returns," on the 23rd day of July 1861, aged 26 years and 3 months.

Of this large family of children, six have been consigned to the silent tomb.

Theodore Adam, the third and only living son of Jacob and Mary Shower, was born October 19, 1833. He received his preliminary education at the Manchester Academy, and then attended Calvert College, at New Windsor, Md., about 2 years.

He read medicine under the instruction of his father, & matriculated at the University of Maryland, in October 1854, where he graduated with 93 other candidates, on the 5th of March 1856.

He was received into partnership with his father in the practice of medicine, which he has continued to pursue constantly, and successfully to the present time, in the town of Manchester, Md.

He was married June 4th, 1861, to Sarah A. Gomber, of Frederick, Md. To this marriage there is no issue. In connection with his professional duties, he superintends the cultivation of his farm.

The remaining daughters of this family, still living, are Sarah E., born in 1838, Mary F., born in 1840, Cordelia A., born in 1845, the first and last of whom reside with their aged widowed

mother, in Manchester. Mary P., resides in Baltimore City, with her cousin Elizabeth A. Duhurst, who, and a sister Ellen Bixler, are the only living representatives, of a family of 6 children whose mother Mary Duhurst, was a sister of George Everhart, Jr's wife, & a daughter of Philip Weaver. With the death of these two sisters, (they having no issue) that branch of the family will become entirely extinct.

CHAPTER IV.

GEORGE SHOWER AND FAMILY.

George, a son of John Adam and Anna Elizabeth Shower, was born April 23rd, 1805. During his minority he learned the trade of a Tanner.

In 1825 he commenced the business of tanning on a part of his father's plantation, which he continued to pursue for thirty years.

On the 26th of April, 1827, he intermarried with Rachael Everhart.

Under the old process of tanning, in which the bark liquors were used cold, it required twelve months to convert the hides into first class leather. In the year 1839, he introduced the new

system of tanning, called 'Brown's System' the liquors of which were heated, and requiring only 6 months to manufacture leather, equal in quality to that made by the old process requiring twelve months. He consumed yearly, about 200 cords of bark in his tanning operations. In connection, with this business, he was engaged in farming.

Although he gave strict attention to his business yet he was exceedingly fond of fox hunting. He kept a pack of a half dozen hounds, some of them very fleet, with which he pursued the fox along Dug hill and the adjacent ridges, sometimes a distance of 20 miles. He would become so absorbed in the chase, and so delighted with the sport, that he would frequently ride during the whole night. This fondness for the fox-chase he acquired when he was in his 13th year, and he continued the sport until he was 72 years old. It required fleet and nimble horses for the chase, one of which he rode until he was 28 years old.

In 1853, he removed from his farm to Manchester, where he commenced merchandising & continued the business for 18 years.

The offspring of George & Rachael Shower were two sons, Edmund Tell, born January 27th 1828, and died May 18, 1830, and George Adam. Also five daughters, Mary E. F., Cecelia J., Rachael A., Jeannetta S., and Emma V.

George A Shower, the second son, was born July 24, 1835. He received his education at the

Manchester Academy. He was in the merchantile business with his father for eight years. From 1857 to 1874, he was a member of the County Central, and from 1874 to 1877 a member of the State Central Committee of the Democratic party of Md. In May 1863, he was arrested by the Federal Government, on a charge of disloyalty. He had a hearing at Westminster and was committed to the County Jail, from whence he was removed to a Military Prison in Baltimore. He was tried by a Military Court, and sentenced to be sent beyond the lines, but was remanded to prison again where he remained a few weeks, when he was released. On the 17th of December 1863, he was married to Mary E., youngest daughter of Robert McIlhenny of Adams Co., Pa. He was appointed Post Master at Manchester in 1865, and resigned the position March 1st, 1869. In January 1868 he was appointed one of the School Commissioners of Carroll Co., and resigned January 1870.

He was elected a member of the Maryland Legislature, as a Democrat, in November 1869, by about 300 majority. Served on the Committee of Agriculture & Manufactures. Was elected Sergeant-at-arms of the Maryland House of Delegates at the Session 1877. Was Enumerator for taking the Census of Manchester District in 1880. Was appointed Deputy Sheriff of Carroll Co., Md., in November 1882.

The issue of George A., & Mary E. Shower are

three children: Cecelia M., born January 25, 1865, Marri Louise, born September 15, 1870, and Robert McIlhenny, born January 13, 1873.

Mary E. F., the eldest daughter of George and Rachael Shower, was born June 7th, 1831. She received her education at St. Joseph's Academy, near Emmittsburg, Md. On the 23rd of June 1850, she was married to Dr. James R. Bardwell, who practiced medicine in Manchester several years, then removed to New Market, Md., where he followed his profession until 1860. He then removed to Stewartstown, Pa., where he died on May 29th, 1870. He was an Assistant Surgeon in the Union Army during the Civil War.

Their offspring were three sons, George, Horatio, and Charles, who is dead.

Cecelia J., the second daughter, was born June 6, 1833. She was educated at St. Joseph's Academy near Emmittsburg, Md. She was married to Englehart A. Frick, November 26th, 1859. They reside in Baltimore, where he was engaged in the merchantile business. There were born to them two sons, George & Clarence, and three daughters, Mary, Rachael, and Jeannetta, one of whom is dead.

Rachael A., the third daughter, was born October 27th, 1838, and was educated at the Academy. Was married March the 10th 1871, to Frank Decker, who died June 2 1875. leaving a daughter.

Jeannetta S., the fourth daughter, was born July 19, 1843. Received her education at the Manchester Academy. Was married March 7, 1868, to Dr. Theodore E. Beltz, who resides in York, Pa. They have one son Harry.

Emma V., the youngest daughter of George & Rachael Shower, was born April 22nd, 1850. Received her educational training at the Manchester Academy. She resides with her parents, and is engaged in teaching, in one of the Public Schools.



CHAPTER V.

ADAM SHOWER AND FAMILY.

Adam Shower, the youngest son of John & Anna Elizabeth, was born February 2nd, 1815. During his minority, he learned the trade of a tanner, with his brother George, at which he served 3 years.

He then went to Cincinnati, Ohio, and worked at his trade about two years, when he returned to Manchester, Md., & engaged in agriculture on the "Homestead," which, he and his sister Elizabeth had inherited from their father. He remained on the farm two years, when he formed a co-partnership with David Houck and Jacob Campbell for

carrying on the merchantile business in Manchester, which was continued four years. He was married October 10th, 1839, to Mary Ann Geiger, a daughter of the Rev. Jacob Geiger, who was then Pastor of the German Reformed Church in Manchester.

In 1842 he withdrew from the merchantile firm and disposed of his interest to Jacob Campbell one of the partners. He then moved on his farm and continued the cultivation of the soil for six years.

On account of ill health, he discontinued farming, and purchased the store of his former partners, and conducted the business alone for four years, when he again disposed of the store.

In 1852, he established a Foundry in connection with the manufacture of agricultural implements, which business he conducted until 1877, when he was succeeded by his sons William H., & John A. In 1871, he was nominated by the Democratic Party, as a candidate for Chief Judge of the Orphans Court of Carroll Co., Md., and was elected November 7th, to serve four years, by a majority of 174.

His Associates being Upton Roop & Isaac C., Baile. After Judge Roop served one year, he resigned by request of the Church (the Dunker) to which he belonged. The Governor appointed Lewis P. Slingluff to fill the vacancy. In 1875, he was reelected Chief Judge for 4 years longer.

He met with a sad bereavement, by the death of his kind and affectionate wife Mary Ann, who

died, November 9th, 1878, aged 58 years, 1 month and 27 days.

“The morn hath not the glory that it wore,
Nor doth the day so beautifully die,
Since I can call thee to my side no more,
To gaze upon the sky.

For thy dear hand, with each return of spring,
I sought in sunny nooks the flowers she gave ;
I seek them still, and sorrowfully bring
The choicest to thy grave.

And then, as if I thought thou still wert nigh,
I turn me, half forgetting thou wert dead,
To read the gentle gladness in thine eye,
That once I might have read.

I turn, but see thee not ; before my eyes
The image of a hill-side mound appears,
Where all of thee that passed not to the skies
Was laid with bitter tears.”

The issue of this marriage were eight sons ; George Theodore, Charles Jacob, born May 28th 1843, and died February 5th, 1845 ; Edmund Geiger, William Henry, Theodore Albert, born June 11th, 1852, and died June 13th ; Jacob Poppler, born September 25th, 1854, and died in June 1864 ; Theodore Troxel, born April 28th, 1856, and died July 22, 1858, and John Adam ; and four daughters,

Mary Catharine, born September 7th, 1844; Charlotte Elizabeth born June 22nd, 1849; Kate Amelia, born September 27th, 1857; and Leonora Virginia, born April 23rd, 1862:

George Theodore, the eldest son, was born August 20th, 1840. Received his preliminary education at the Manchester Academy. Entered the Sophomore Class of Franklin & Marshall College, in September 1857. Graduated July 25th, 1860, in a class of sixteen, of whom eleven, subsequently studied theology. After graduating, he taught in the Manchester Academy for two years.

He spent four years, during and subsequent to the Civil War, (1863-67) in the South, a part of the time engaged in an engineer corps in Georgia, until the advance of Sherman towards Atlanta.

Then was connected with the Army of Northern Virginia, until its surrender at Appomattox.

Afterwards was engaged in teaching near Duffield's Depot, in Jefferson Co., Va. Returned to Maryland in 1867, and engaged in rail-road construction until 1873, on the Western Md., Pittsburg & Connelsville, Parkton & Manchester, and Port Deposit rail-roads. He was one of a firm of three, who, in 1869, undertook the construction of the M. & P. Rail Road, but a failure of funds compelled the contractors to suspend work in '71, after completing 5 miles. Embarrisments in attempting to complete 17 miles of the W. M. R. R.,

resulted in the failure and dissolution of the firm and his final abandonment of that branch of business. He spent 2 years in litigation with the two above-mentioned companies & obtained judgment against both. Was engaged in teaching in Md., W. Va., Pa., and Va. Studied medicine under Dr. J. W. Dehoff. Entered Hahneman Medical College, at Philadelphia in October 1880, and graduated March 14th, 1882, in a Class of 57.

On May 20th, 1882, he located, in Woodberry, Baltimore Co., Md., for the practice of medicine.

Edmund G., the third son, was born May 23rd, 1846. Received his preliminary education at the Manchester Academy, and in 1865 entered Irving College, and remained one year. In September, 1866, he went to Baltimore and attended Gallagher's Commercial College. After completing the course, he entered E. H. L. Geiger's Stove & House furnishing establishment, as clerk, and remaining here until December, 1875. He studied medicine under the instruction of Dr. J. W. Dehoff. In September 1876 he matriculated at Hahneman Medical College, at Philadelphia, where he graduated in March 1878, receiving the degree of Doctor of Medicine. On the 27th of April 1878 he located in Waynesboro, Franklin Co., Pa.

William H. the fourth son was born September 24th 1850. He learned the trade of a Machinist at the establishment of his father. He was mar-

ried September 29, 1881, to May H. Ross. They have one daughter Clara Lottie, born October 6, 1882. He formed a copartnership with his brother John Adam, who was born March 22, 1860.

They are conducting the Foundry and Agricultural Machine business, established by their father in 1852.

Charlotte E., the second daughter, was married May 25th, 1870, to Dr. John W. Dehoff, who now resides at Union Bridge, Carroll Co., Md., and is engaged in the practice of medicine. Their offspring are three children, Mary Helen, born June 28, 1871, and died March 31, 1873; John Edmund, born April 25, 1873, and Leonora Kate, born April 24, 1882.



CHAPTER VI.

CATHAR'E EVERHART & ELIZABETH CAMPBEL.

Catharine, the eldest daughter of John Adam and Anna Elizabeth Shower, was born January 13th, 1808. She learned the trade of a Milliner, with a lady in York, Pa. On the 19th of April 1829, she intermarried with George Everhart, with whom she lived almost a half century, and died

June 10th, 1878, aged 70 years, 4 months and 27 days. They had five sons, viz; Edmund S., Oliver T., George P., Charles H., and William T., & six daughters, viz; Mary E., Cornelia A., Albenia E., Elizabeth A., Laura C., and Addie V., of whom three are dead, Mary E., Albenia E., & Laura C.

For a further account of this family the reader is referred to the history of the Everhart family, under the title of George Everhart, of George Jr.

Elizabeth, the youngest daughter of John Adam and Anna Elizabeth Shower, was born August 3rd 1810. She was married May 14th, 1840, to Jacob Campbell, who was engaged in the mercantile business for many years in Manchester. After weeks of great suffering she died in the triumphs of christian faith, November 18th, 1878, aged 68 years, 3 months and 15 days.

“What is home without a mother?

What are all the joys we meet,

When her loving smile no longer

Greets the coming of our feet?

The days seem long, the nights are dreary,

And time rolls slowly on;

And Oh! how few are childhood's pleasures,

When her gentle care is gone.

Things we prize are first to vanish;

Hearts we love to pass away;

And how soon even in our childhood,

We behold her turning grey.

Her eye grows dim, her step is slow,
 Her joys of earth are past.
 And before we learn to know her,
 She hath breathed on earth her last."

The offspring of Jacob and Elizabeth Campbell, were two sons, William H., born June 5th, 1841 and Charles; also three daughters, Mary Elizabeth born November 13, 1843; Sarah Catharine, born August 25th, 1845, and Cornelia Estelle born June 30th, 1855. Since the death of their mother, the daughters preside over the household affairs of the father, who resides in Westminster, Md.

Charles, the second son, was born September 16th, 1848. He studied Dentistry and graduated at the Baltimore Dental College, in March 1875. Practiced in Manchester 3 years, then removed to Jefferson, York Co., Pa., and practiced there the same length of time. At present he is a Salesman in Geo. P. Everhart's store in Rail Road, Pa.

Dr. Theo. A. Shower, a prominent physician, died in Manchester, Md., on Thursday evening, Dec. 23, 1886, aged 53 years. Dr. Shower had only been sick about one week with inflammation of the bowels. He was a prominent Mason, being past master of Lebanon Lodge, No. 175, of that place, and a leading democrat. His father, the late Dr. Jacob Shower, was once a member of Congress from that district. He was attended by Dr. Ziegler, of Melrose, and Drs. Herring and Billingslea, of Westminster. He was buried in the Reformed Cemetery, in Manchester, Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, with Masonic rites by Lebanon Lodge and Door to Virtue Lodge, of Westminster. Rev. Wm. Rupp, D. D., of the Reformed Church, preached the sermon. The funeral was one of the largest ever held in Manchester district. A large number of people from Baltimore, Frederick, and other places, were present.—*Manchester Telephone Messenger.*

HISTORY OF MANCHESTER, MD.

“Mid pleasures and palaces though we may roam,
Be it ever so humble, there’s no place like home!”

As a fitting appendage to the preceding family histories, it may not be inappropriate to give a sketch of the village of Manchester, in and near which, many of the members of the family have resided, one of whom has lived in the town constantly for 57 years.

Along the turnpike leading from Baltimore, Md., to Carlisle, Pa., thirty miles from the former place and twelve miles from Hanover, York Co., Pa., on an elevation of 905 feet above tide water, Manchester is situated. It is most beautifully and romantically located, in fact its location is an anomaly.

If you approach the village from either the North or the South, you ascend a considerable elevation, and if you approach it from either the East or the West, you descend a high hill, so that, although in a valley, it is yet upon a hill. It is in the 6th District of Carroll Co., Md., & was made the place

for holding the election polls. The District was laid out in 1826, and contained in 1880, about 3600 inhabitants. Manchester is the second town of importance in the county, and its population numbers about 800.

The earliest permanent settlers were Germans from Pennsylvania and Germany. The descendants of these thrifty people, have for generations been residents of the town. Among these have been the Motters, Gettiers, Showers Everharts, Burns, Steffleys, Shultzs, Cummings, Warners, Frankforters and many others.

Previous to the year 1750, the Indians occupied the territory within the limits of the present town of Manchester, and the surrounding country.

A remnant of the "Susquehannock's," numbering about sixty, lived within a mile of the town, then a part of Baltimore County, but soon after the above date, they forsook their hunting grounds, never to return again, although the records say, that one old Indian was left to die near the town.

For a number of years subsequent to 1760, very few houses were built on the site, where Manchester now stands. Zion's Church, known as the "Union Church" was built in 1760, by the German Reformed and Lutheran congregations, in which they both worshiped. It was built of logs, and stood in the graveyard on a slight elevation; to the East of the town.

The land, on which Manchester is built, was

part of a tract owned by Captain Richard Richards, which he had surveyed March 5th, 1765, & laid out and recorded the plan and divisions of the town. He named it Manchester, after the City in England from which he had emigrated.

The lots were sold subject to an annual ground-rent which is still collected to the present time.

The Richards' plat, as originally laid out, had the form of the letter K, the irregular lines on the eastern side of the town, being caused by the projection of the "German Church" tract into the Richards' tract. The original lines of Manchester began at the eastern limits, where the German Church and New Market tracts met, and ran north by west to the stone in the pavement in front of Crumrine's store, thence across Main St., to a point in Shower's foundry lot, thence across the town to a point back of a lot formerly owned by George Linaweaver, thence north by west to a point beyond the present built up limits of the town, thence nearly due west across what was called "Surplus Land," to a point west-north-west of Noah Sellers' lots, and from thence back of the "back lots" now owned by John Pfeifer, & thence east by north to the place of beginning, containing about thirty three acres.

The present Main Street, through the middle of the town, was then called Castle Street. The alley west of, and parallel with Main street, was called Long lane, and the one east of Main, Maiden lane.

The alley crossing Main street at John J. Lynerd's was called Deep alley, and the one at Samuel Lilly's was named Wood alley. The streets are 60 ft, the lanes 20 feet and the alleys 16 feet wide.

The oldest house in town is the old log building now owned by Edward Oursler, and kept formerly as a tavern by Christian Hively. Mr. Keller was one of the first schoolmasters and taught both the German and English languages. One of the first stores of any importance was kept by George Motter, then followed Marcus Spenser, George Everhart, Adam Baker, Jarret Garner, David Houck, Jacob Campbell, Adam & George Shower, and others of later date. The first blacksmith was George Linaweaver, whose shop was on Main street, north of the centre of the town.

The oldest citizen is George Everhart, who came to town in 1826, and is now in his 84th year. The oldest living native citizen, is Jesse Shultz, who was born December 10th, 1808.

The first Physician was Dr. Umbach, who was a german by birth and a fine practitioner. He was succeeded by Dr. Pfeifer, and he by Doctor Jacob Shower, who died in 1879, having been a practitioner of medicine for 54 years.

The old log church, which was built in 1760 was torn down in 1798, and replaced by another one built of brick. This building was repaired in 1826, under the supervision of Jacob Houck, as contractor. In 1836, a steeple was built of brick and

attached to the north end of the church. A fine bell was placed in it, which could be heard at a distance of nearly 3 miles. The following persons assisted in erecting the steeple; Rev. Jacob Albert, Chief Manager, Philip Grove and Charles Miller, Assistant Managers, Michael Gettier, contractor of masonry, John N. Miller, gilder & painter, Jarret Garner, contractor of materials, Jacob Weyant, Peter Shultz, Joshua F. Copp, Jesse Shultz, Henry and William Brinkman, Jacob Garret, and Philip Crumrine, under workman.

At this period of time, Rev. Jacob Geiger was Pastor of the German Reformed Congregation, & served it for 31 years and 6 months. He died October 19th, 1848, aged 55 years and 2 days.

The Rev. Jacob Albert was Pastor of the Lutheran congregation. The first Sunday School was organized in 1828. The Methodist E. Church was erected in 1839, and was a frame structure. The Rev. O. Ege was the minister at that time, as a few years previous a mission had been established.

In 1843, the United Brethren Church was built, which was of logs, but this was torn down in 1870 and replaced with a fine brick building.

The Catholic Church was commenced in 1864, and completed in 1865, under the superintendence of Peter Kleineidam, & served by Father Gloyed.

In 1825, Daniel and Jacob's Lodge of Odd Fellows was instituted, and convened for many years in a rented hall, but a number of years ago they

erected a fine brick Hall on York street.

The Manchester Academy was incorporated by the Maryland Legislature in 1829, and a stone building (rough-coated) was erected in 1831, at a cost of \$800, the contractor being Peter Sauble.

The money was raised by voluntary contributions. The lot of ground was donated by John Weaver. The first Board of Trustees were Hon. John Adam Shower, Rev. Jacob Geiger, Rev. Jacob Albert, George Everhart, George Motter, John Weaver and Peter Sauble. The first teacher was Joseph M. Parke, who was succeeded by a number of excellent teachers. This was the second Academy built in what was then Baltimore Co., and received a State appropriation of \$300, per annum, but this was entirely withdrawn after the Public Schools were established. From this time the standing of the Academy, which at one period was very high, began to decline, and now (1883) there is nothing left but the building.

For a number of years the "school bell" was hung on a post planted in the ground at the end of the building, but in course of time it was raised to the top in a cupola. The building needing a new roof afterwards, the bell and cupola were removed, and now the bell serves as a hiding place for the bats.

Irving College was incorporated by the Legislature in 1858, with Dr. Ferdinand Dieffenbaugh, as Principal. He was a fine scholar and under his

management, the college became a flourishing institution of learning, but after his death it gradually declined and finally ceased to exist.

In 1880, Prof. David Denlinger reestablished it under the name of Irving Institute.

The first Public School House was a frame structure, which was taken down in 1878 and replaced by a brick building 40 by 75 feet.

Manchester has suffered from several fires, the first of which occurred in 1827, when the back-building of the German Reformed Parsonage was partially consumed. The next fire was in 1837, when the tavern stand of Dennis Davis was burned. The next fire was in April 1839, when the frame double-dwelling house of George Everhart was totally consumed. Since then several barns have been burned down.

Manchester was incorporated as a borough in 1834, but for many years, it was not in force, and in 1870 the corporation was reorganized.

The Thespian Society, a literary association was organized in 1835, the leading spirit of which was Wesley W. Garner.

The Manchester Band was incorporated, under the leadership of C. A. Geiger, in 1836.

The first newspaper called, The Messenger was started in 1837. The Editor was Wm. T. Smyth, who printed it about one year, and then removed from town and the paper ceased to be printed.

The next newspaper was started in November

1870, named the MANCHESTER GAZETTE, conducted by W. R. Watson, Editor, and J. A. Bartly, assistant. It was a financial failure, and ceased to be published in March 1872, and the material was sold to Smith & Seitz, of Glenrock, Pa.

The ENTERPRISE, was established in 1881, by J. S. Cornman, & removed to Hampstead in 1883.

At some future time we may possibly write a full and detailed history of our birth-place.



P. S. In 1862, with the mutual agreement of the Reformed and Lutheran Congregations, the old brick church, built in 1798, was torn down, the material divided, and each Congregation erected a fine house of worship.

EDITORIAL REVIEW.

“FAMILY HISTORY.”—On our table lies a book entitled “A History of the Everhart and Shower Families, from 1744 to 1883. Also, a sketch of Manchester, Md.” This little book of 142 pages is the work of our friend, Dr. O. T. Everhart; he is author, printer, binder and publisher. It contains a full history of Paulus Eberhart, who came from Germany in 1744, and John Schauer in 1750, and of all their descendants to the present day,—a work of great value to every one connected with these families, intimately united by marriage.

Dr. Everhart never set a type until he began to print this book, yet he successfully set all the type for it, printed all its pages, and bound it neatly in cloth, during leisure hours; it is therefore doubly interesting to members of the Everhart family as showing the pluck, patience, perseverance and steadfastness of purpose of one of their number. We congratulate the doctor on the success of his labors, and assure him that we will ever preserve the copy before us, as a reminder that “where there is a will, there is a way.” *Hanover Herald.*





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